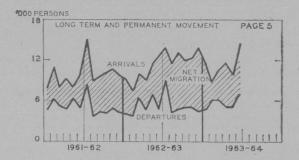
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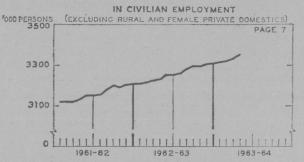
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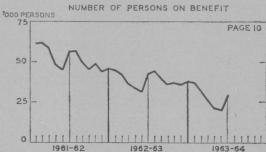
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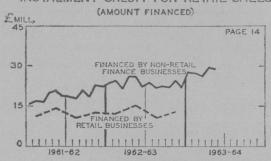
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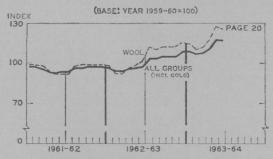
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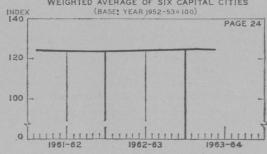
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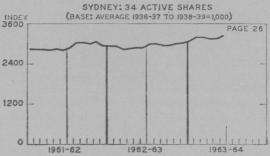
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INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

Period.	Earners in Employme Employee Industry a	nd Salary n Civilian nent (excl. s in Rural nd Private Service).(a)	Number of Persons on	Average Weekly Earnings (c) Index	Internal Trade— Retail	(Mercl	a Trade nandise lues f.o.b. nipment).	Inter- national Reserves.	Building Ap- provals.	New Houses and Flats Com-
	Manufact- uring. (b)	Total Civilian Employ- ment.(a)	Unem- ployment Benefit.	(Base: 1953–54= 100).	Sales.(d)	Imports.	Exports.	(e)	(f)	menced.
Manthly Aronago	'000	'000.			£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	£m.	No.
Monthly Average— 1953–54		2,655	13,232	100.0	426.7	56.5	67.7	570.7	27.0	19,219
		2,757			465.7	70.1	63.2	428.3	33.3	19,309
1954–55		2,737	3,690	105.4		68.2	64.2	355.0	36.1	18,15
1955–56		2,891	4,014	112.2	498.6 521.7	59.7	81.1	566.5	32.8	17,36
1956–57		2,925	12,666 23,900	121.3	544.6	65.8	67.5	525.4	37.1	18,33
1957–58	1 0 4 2	2,978	27,311	124.5	564.7	66.2	67.2	516.4	41.3	20,42
1958–59	1 000	3,071	20,706	133.6	618.7	77.1	77.2	512.0	50.3	22,83
1000 (1	1 102	3,166	23,038	140.5	647.4	90.4	77.3	550.8	50.2	22,22
1960–61	1 001	3,165	52,264	144.7	658.1	73.5	89.0	561.2	48.8	20,61
1962–63	1 127	3,265	38,935	177.7	679.1	89.9	89.1	626.1	54.8	22,06
Monthly Total—			50,550			50000				
1961-62-			(i)			р	p			
January .	. 1,082	3,159	57,105	1	(210.7	82.0	95.0	596.1	38.6	
February .	1 006	3,185	50,112	>145.4	197.8		85.9	607.7	44.8	20,34
March .	. 1,104	3,204	45,870		212.6		89.2	537.6	53.9]
April		3,194	49,136	1	208.9		86.3	550.3	49.5	
May		3,209	44,668	>147.0	3232.3		100.9	565.5	55.6	21,40
June	. 1,106	3,214	46,324	J	214.7	81.7	87.1	561.2	48.0	J
1962–63—	1 100	2.214	45 452	1000033	6 212 2	00.1	70.7	574.9	62.5	
July		3,214	45,453	146 2	$\begin{cases} 212.2 \\ 221.8 \end{cases}$		79.7	565.8	55.8	22,90
August .	1 117	3,219 3,231	42,647	146.2	214.7		73.5 73.9	560.5	56.4	22,90
September .	1 122	3,238	36,851 33,796	K	227.3		86.0	570.9	58.7	3
October . November .	1 127	3,258	31,833	>147.3	239.8		102.2	585.7	54.6	
minutes of	1 122	3,257	43,153	7147.3	285.5		87.0	586.1	40.3	
→ 0.5	1 127	3,263	45,009	3	219.9			587.4	50.7	
February .	1 127	3,286	40,272	149.6	204.7		90.5	597.5	46.7	
March .	1 1/12	3,300	36,394	1	215.5		95.7	590.8	52.4	
April	1 125	3,301	37,142		220.3		91.4	612.2	57.5	
May	1 126	3,310			239.1		101.2	615.2	64.8	22,74
June	1 120	3,313			216.9	90.6	93.3	626.1	57.4)
1963–64—			cangings			362 721				
T 1	. 1,142	3,319			227.9			634.2	60.1	
August .	1,145	3,325			231.8					
	. 1,150	3,337			220.8				71.0	13
	. 1,158	3,357			239.0					050
			20,978		245.2				60.2	
December .			29,555		304.9	90.0	118.4	794.7	51.9)

⁽a) See footnote (a), p. 7. (b) See footnote (b), p. 7. (c) All industries: seasonally adjusted. Average earnings per employed male unit. See footnote (d) on p. 30. The figures are subject to revision. (d) Quarterly average sales for years and quarterly and monthly total sales. Excludes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. Excludes Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (e) Source: Reserve Bank of Australia. See Reserve Bank Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, Sept., 1960, for a description of this series. (f) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities. (g) Includes owner-built houses. Quarterly averages for years and quarterly totals. From September quarter, 1954, includes Northern Territory. (h) Annual and December figures as at end of period; other figures last Wednesday of month. (i) Last Saturday of month.

INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY—continued

		Produc-	Total	Produc-	Veh Regi (excl	Motor nicles stered uding e Service icles).	P.M.G.'s Depart-	Private Tra (Major	wealth and ading Banks Trading aks).	Bank Debits to Cus-
Period.	Index, Sydney. (a)	Black Coal.	Electricity Generated.	Ingot Steel (b)	Motor Cars and Station Wagons.	Other Motor Vehicles.	ment Cash Receipts.	Deposits.	Advances.	tomers' Accounts (Weekly Averages)
Monthly Average—	Pence per lb.	'000 tons.	Million kWh.	'000 tons.	'000,	'000.	£'000.	£m.	£m.	£m.
1953–54	81.1	1,619	1,142	176.4	10.3	4.7	5,650	1,431.7	727.7	447.0
1954–55	70.1	1,613	1,267	184.1	13.6	5.6	6,069	1,485.1	865.9	492.1
1955–56	60.7	1,586	1,390	193.4	13.5	5.6	6,612	1,477.3	908.3	522.0
1956–57	77.9	1,643	1,524	231.2	12.3	4.8	7,506	1,512.6		563.3
1957–58	62.1	1,697	1,650	253.1	13.8	5.1	8,065	1,596.4		592.7
1958–59	47.5	1,705	1,767	267.0	14.7	5.5	8,622	1,603.1	929.5	637.4
1959–60	56.3	1,769	1,933	293.3	18.7	5.8	10,136	1,707.6	952.0	747.4
1960-61	51.5	1,912	2,068	312.3	18.6	4.9	11,343		1,050.0	803.8
1961–62	54.1	2,036	2,204	339.6	18.0	4.3	11,651	1,806.6	1,002.2	823.6
1962–63	58.4	2,025	2,434	355.5	23.7	5.0	12,557		1,060.6	908.2
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Monthly									1.5111	
Total— 1961–62—		12					or o or			
November	52.0	p 2,292	2,094	р 311.4	18.4	4.4	11,516	1,790.4	999.0	815.6
December	52.0	1,646	2,002	347.7	16.6	4.0	11,364	1,823.8		881.5
January	52.0	1,223	2,017	338.6	15.8	3.8	11,506	1,856.9		748.2
February	55.0	r2,081	1,986	308.2	18.0	4.2	11,650	1,886.7		856.0
March	56.0	r2,268	2,195	346.2	21.2	5.1	12,633	1,895.3		834.3
April	56.0	r1,534	2,109	354.3	17.7	4.4	10,484		1,008.8	829.9
May	56.0	r2,183	2,515	358.9	21.9	5.5	12,634		1,022.0	896.1
June	56.0	r2,114	2,448	327.7	23.1	4.9	12,739		21,031.4	875.3
1962-63		r						Joseph Committee	125 (114)	7
July	55.0	2,321	2,629	358.8	23.7	5.2	11,741		1,060.9	931.2
August	52.0	2,394	2,647	353.9	25.6	4.9	12,351		3 1,052.1	818.9
September	52.0	2,058	2,339	340.7	23.3	4.2	10,754		1,046.6	870.6
October	54.0	2,412	2,435	361.6	26.5	5.1	13,720		1,051.8	912.5
November	55.0	2,325	2,298	364.9	27.1	5.1	12,547		1,054.1	885.0
December	57.0	1,557	2,198	354.7	22.8	4.1	12,170		1,052.1	952.3
January	63.0	1,364	2,194	361.2	21.9	3.8	13,143		1,044.6	850.2
February	62.0	1,976	2,158	331.4	22.4	4.3	11,797		1,040.7	949.0
March	63.0	2,018	2,397	363.2	23.6	6.1	12,324		5 1,048.1	931.3
April	63.0	1,547	2,396	368.9	21.6	5.6	12,385		91,082.0	960.6
May	63.0	2,290	2,727	378.7	24.3	6.4	13,760 13,997		1,091.2	911.9 959.7
June 1963–64—	65.0	2,039	2,791	352.5	22.0	2.5	13,337	1,343.	1,101.2	737.1
July	64.0	2,558	3,012	400.6	29.7	6.2	13,954	1.937	5 1,108.2	1,027.4
August	62.0	2,222	2,858	425.7	27.9	5,5	12,728		7 1,103.6	901.7
September	63.0	2,170	2,598	397.6	1		12,294		91,087.8	981.1
October	66.0	2,509	2,576	385.7					9 1,099 . 8	1,019.5
November	72.0	2,363	2,492	402.4					5 1,104.4	1,050.9
December	71.0	1,771	2,406	409.1					61,098.3	1,163.4

⁽a) Average price which a New South Wales clip of constant average quality would realize if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in New South Wales. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Includes ambulances and hearses prior to 1955-56. (d) Excludes motor cycles; includes ambulances and hearses subsequent to 1954-55. (e) Monthly averages for twelvemonths ended May.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS: AUSTRALIA

Period.		Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase.(a)	Net Oversea Migration.(b)	Total Increase.	Population at end of Period.
Quarterly Average—			(Appleant)					
1953–54		17,827	50,400	20,390	30,010	13,263	42,792	d8,986,530
1954–55		17,848	51,213	20,541	30,672	22,868	53,300	9,199,729
1955–56		18,169	52,719	20,712	32,007	24,710	56,458	9,425,563
1956–57		18,111	53,753	21,467	32,286	21,594	53,644	9,640,138
1957–58		18,511	55,265	21,150	34,115	16,650	50,549	9,842,333
1958–59		18,458	56,495	22,013	34,482	19,289	53,537	10,056,479
1959–60		18,859	57,157	22,056	35,101	19,779	54,635	10,275,020
1960–61		19,091	59,459	22,199	37,260	21,297	58,292	d10,508,186
1961–62		19,393	59,611	22,480	37,131	12,103	49,234	10,705,121
1962–63		20,235	58,660	23,305	35,355	17,431	58,786	10,916,265
Quarterly Total—		630.4				1 2 3 1		7.50
1960-61-		1 (13)						Lastrai.
June Qtr.		20,042	61,214	21,983	39,231	14,258	53,241	d10,508,186
1961-62-		1 6.0						82 138
September ,,		16,063	60,316	26,001	34,315	9,770	44,085	10,552,271
December ,,		20,641	57,338	20,646	36,692	14,968	51,660	10,603,931
March ,,		20,509	60,529	20,427	40,102	16,717	56,819	10,660,750
June "		20,359	60,263	22,847	37,416	6,955	44,371	10,705,121
1962-63-		12.55	9 1			1.850		
September ,,		17,360	58,675	27,339	31,336	16,204	47,540	10,752,661
December "		20,952	57,614	22,550	35,064	22,646	57,710	10,810,371
March ,,		21,689	60,099	20,616	39,483	19,621	59,104	10,869,475
June "		20,939	58,253	22,732	35,521	11,253	46,774	10,916,249
1963-64-		912.11	4 4	81 4 1	g 1 seg 5	de rouce de		man M
September ,,	202	17,293	59,566	28,165	31,401	17,450	48,851	10,965,100

(a) Excess of births over deaths. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. (c) Includes natural increase, net oversea migration and up to June, 1961, adjustments of population on the basis of Census results. (d) Census, 30th June.

POPULATION: STATES

Note.—The estimated populations since 30th June, 1961, for each State represent the population ascertained from the results of the Census at that date plus natural increase and recorded net migration into each State. As complete records of interstate migration are not available, the estimated State populations since 30th June, 1961, are approximate and are subject to revision when the actual population of each State is ascertained at the next Census. For some States such revisions, in the past, were substantial.

Date.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas- mania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia,
30th June—			+11111	1 July 2 3			1163			izabié La
1954(a)		3,423,529	2,452,341	1,318,259	797,094	639,771	308,752	16,469	30,315	8,986,530
1955		3,490,749	2,517,229	1,350,017	819,567	657,115	314,092	18,210	32,750	9,199,729
1956		3,554,257	2,593,468	1,381,591	848,557	674,529	318,470	19,556	35,135	9,425,563
1957		3,624,969	2,656,257	1,413,085	873,166	687,605	326,130	21,061	37,865	9,640,138
1958		3,691,954	2,718,482	1,439,199	896,803	699,565	333,066	22,097	41,167	9,842,333
1959		3,759,834	2,785,905	1,468,237	920,898	712,070	339,376	24,089	46,070	10,056,479
1960		3,832,453	2,857,389	1,495,927	945,320	722,080	343,910	25,573	52,368	10,275,020
1961(a)		3,917,013	2,930,113	1,518,828	969,340	736,629	350,340	27,095	58,828	10,508,186
1962(b)		3,976,736	2,991,471	1,542,629	989,389	754,477	356,937	27,790	65,692	10,705,121
1963(b)		4,048,598	3,055,731	1,566,218	1,008,994	772,511	361,320	29,424	(c) 73,453	10,916,249
30th Septen	nber—	-								
1963(b)		4,065,410	3,072,524	1,569,131	1,012,676	777,801	362,203	29,782	75,573	10,965,100

⁽a) Census. on 1st July, 1963.

⁽b) See Note above.

⁽c) Estimate based on the results of the population count of Canberra

OVERSEA ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Permanent movement—persons arriving with stated intent to settle permanently in Australia, and residents departing with stated intent to reside permanently abroad.

Long-term movement—arrival of visitors and temporary departure of residents with stated intent to stay (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more, and the departure of visitors and return of residents who have stayed (in Australia or in a country abroad respectively) for twelve months or more.

Short-term movement—all other movement, including Australian troops irrespective of stay.

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	Permanent Movement.	Long-term	Movement.	Short-term	Movement.		Excess
Period.	Settlers Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.	Residents Returning.	Visitors Arriving.	Total Arrivals.	of Total Arrivals over Total Departures
Monthly Average—							
1958–59	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,999	5,361	20,085	6,430
1959–60	8,824	1,337	979	5,527	6,332	22,999	6,593
1960–61	9,024	1,406	1,110	6,821	7,731	26,092	7,099
1961–62	7,150	1,608	1,119	7,661	8,515	26,053	4,034
1962–63	8,491	1,781	1,164	8,395	9,970	29,801	5,811
Monthly Total—				Maria de la composición dela composición de la composición de la composición dela co	h (1.46		. Tong
1962-63—December	8,712	2,745	1,220	8,093	12,922	33,692	5,480
January	10,034	2,046	1,839	11,834	10,618	36,371	4,653
February	7,862	1,959	1,776	8,532	11,142	31,271	9,034
March	10,319	1,653	1,258	7,737	11,046	32,013	5,934
April	9,396	1,570	1,008	7,192	9,753	28,919	1,914
May	10,103	1,253	911	7,505	9,343	29,115	2,542
June	11,344	1,572	937	7,424	7,859	29,136	6,797
1963–64—July	9,087	1,578	840	7,483	8,413	27,401	7,282
August	5,991	1,975	874	9,217	9,738	27,795	2,464
September	7,918	1,630	1,201	12,011	9,399	32,159	7,704
October	8,740	1,934	1,074	12,325	11,491	35,564	12,262
November r	7,280	1,838	843	9,648	11,233	30,842	5,822
December p	10,073	3,209	1,261	10,264	15,322	40,129	5,228

DEPARTURES

			Permanent	Movement.	Long-term	Movement.	Short-term	Movement.	Tracel
Pe	eriod		Former Settlers Departing b	Other Residents Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	Residents Departing.	Visitors Departing.	Total Departures.
Monthly Av	verage								
1958-59			(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,933	5,481	13,655
1959-60			525	538	2,061	653	6,113	6,516	16,406
1960-61			494	458	2,379	985	6,847	7,830	18,993
1961-62			770	597	2,781	1,049	7,840	8,982	22,019
1962-63			725	574	2,860	1,102	8,532	10,197	23,990
Monthly To	otal—								
1962-63-	-Decemb	er	807	571	2,166	1,267	11,671	11,730	28,212
	January		1,207	875	5,295	1,631	9,472	13,238	31,718
	Februar	у	524	491	2,335	951	7,586	10,350	22,237
	March		581	518	2,798	866	10,145	11,171	26,079
	April		701	479	2,972	918	10,781	11,154	27,005
	May		447	528	3,220	907	10,475	10,996	26,573
	June		522	615	2,442	962	8,816	8,982	22,339
1963-64-	–July		639	534	2,705	890	6,998	8,353	20,119
	August		846	586	3,673	1,059	9,318	9,849	25,331
	Septemb	oer	1,078	754	3,147	1,199	7,765	10,512	24,455
	October		752	546	2,880	977	7,642	10,505	23,302
	Novemb	er	944	534	2,872	875	7,727	12,068	25,020
.**	Decemb	er p	859	716	3,994	1,498	15,685	12,149	34,901

⁽a) Not available. (b) Excludes persons who stated on departure that they had come to Australia to settle and had stayed for a period of less than twelve months.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces.)
('000.)

		Civil	ian Emplo	yees in M	lain Indus	trial Grou	ps.		Total C	ivilian Em	ployees.
Month. 3	Mining and Quarry- ing.	Manufact- uring (b)	Building and Cons- truction.	Transport, Storage and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Whole- sale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.		Amuse- ment, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Govern- ment Author- ities.	Total.
	280,02 28,032 28,032		1,939	(V)	Males.	(w) 500.1					tnold Pel
961—June 962—June	48.2 46.3 45.9	821.6 852.8 879.5	274.8 276.0 281.5	265.6 261.1 264.0	191.2 193.5 204.1	241.8 243.8 250.6	249.6 260.4 271.7	70.1 70.8 74.6	as Carroc	1-62 2-63 hly Teta 2-63 U	2,264.3 2,308.0 2,376.8
1962—September October	46.2 46.3	861.0 864.0	271.8 270.1	261.9 261.0	194.5 195.3	245.3 246.7	261.4 261.4	72.8 73.0	violos violovio		2,317.4 2,319.9
July August September October	45.9 46.4 46.3 46.6 46.4	879.5 881.8 882.5 884.6 889.3	281.5 280.8 281.6 282.1 283.5	264.0 264.1 263.9 265.1 265.8	204.1 205.5 206.0 206.9 208.5	250.6 250.0 251.0 252.7 254.2	271.7 271.5 272.2 272.7 273.2	74.6 74.3 75.1 76.0 77.0	pr Lay Ime Ily ugust epember	/	2,376.8 2,379.4 2,383.3 2,391.3 2,402.3
				I	EMALES.						
961—June 962—June 963—June	1.4 1.5 1.6	233.4 252.9 258.9	4,9 5,0 5.5	35.3 34.7 35.4	150.8 156.5 162.7	103.4 103.6 106.6	254.6 266.6 277.5	78.8 78.2 81.8	h		868.9 905.5 936.6
962—September October	1.5 1.5	256.4 259.4	5.1	34.6 34.7	156.7 158.1	103.0 103.1	270.0 270.0	79.9 80.0	7 <u>3</u> 5	aly Aver 8-20 9-60	913.1 919.1 918.3
963—June July August September October	1.6 1.6 1.7 1.6	258.9 260.0 262.4 265.0 269.0	5.5 5.5 5.5 5.5	35.4 35.5 35.6 35.5 35.6	162.7 163.6 162.5 162.7 165.0	106.6 106.7 106.9 106.9 107.5	277.5 278.4 278.5 279.1 279.7	81.8 81.6 82.4 83.4 84.2	todm cool	0-03 11-62 12-13 14-13-13 13-13-13	936.6 939.5 942.0 946.4 954.7

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)-continued

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces.)
('000.)

		Civili	ian Emplo		Total Civilian Empl						
Month.	Mining and Quarry- ing.	Manufact- uring (b)	Building and Con- struction.	Transport, Storage and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Whole-sale Trade, etc.; Finance, Property.		Amuse- ment, Hotels, Personal Service.	Private Employers.	Govern- ment Author- ities.	Total.

PERSONS.

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1961—June 1962—June 1963—June	49.6 47.8 47.5	1,055.0 1,105.7 1,138.4	279.7 281.0 287.0	300.9 295.8 299.4	342.0 350.0 366.8	345.2 347.4 357.2	504.2 527.0 549.2	148.9 149.0 156.4			3,133.2 3,213.5 3,313.4
1962—September October	47.7 47.8	1,117.4 1,123.4	276.9 275.1	296.5 295.7	351.2 353.4	348.3 349.8	531.4 531.4	152.7 153.0			3,231.1 3,238.2
July August September October	47.5 48.0 47.9 48.3 48.0	1,138.4 1,141.8 1,144.9 1,149.6 1,158.3	287.0 286.3 287.1 287.6 289.0	299.4 299.6 299.5 300.6 301.4	366.8 369.1 368.5 369.6 373.5	357.2 356.7 357.9 359.6 361.7	549.2 549.9 550.7 551.8 552.9	156.4 155.9 157.5 159.4 161.2			3,313.4 3,318.9 3,325.3 3,337.5 3,357.0

⁽a) New series replacing those previously published. See bulletin Employment and Unemployment, October, 1963, issued by this Bureau on 30th January, 1964. The figures in this table are based on comprehensive data from the Population Census of June, 1961. Estimates for months subsequent to June, 1961, are derived from current Payroll Tax returns, returns of Government employment, other direct records of employment, and estimates of the number of employees not covered by these collections. (b) Includes employees engaged in selling and distribution, etc., as well as those occupied directly in manufacturing activity. (c) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health Services, Education and other Community and Business Services.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces.) ('000.)

Month.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia
		1	,	I	MALES.					
1954—June		774.8	563.4	266.4	178.6	141.2	64.8	5.0	9.5	2,003.7
1959—June		836.2	621.8	290.1	201.1	144.9	70.4	6.9	14.2	2,185.6
1960—June		870.6	643.5	293.7	206.4	147.5	72.6	7.2	15.3	2,256.8
1961—June		876.5	643.6	291.7	207.5	148.5	73.2	7.3	16.0	2,264.3
1962—June(<i>c</i>)		894.2	654.3	294.5	211.2	154.7	73.6	7.5	18.0	2,308.0
1963—June		914.5	675.3	304.7	219.1	160.0	75.0	7.8	20.4	2,376.8
1962—September		896.5	655.9	295.1	213.6	156.3	73.7	7.8	18.5	2,317.4
October		898.4	657.2	293.8	213.5	156.6	73.8	7.9	18.7	2,319.9
1963—February		910.8	673.3	292.5	216.3	158.2	75.4	7.6	19.7	2,353.8
March(c)		913.9	675.1	295.7	217.5	158.6	75.3	7.6	19.9	2,363.6
April		` '	(c)674.2	297.2	217.3	159.0	75.4	7.7	20.1	c 2,365.5
May		915.4	675.6	300.9	217.8	160.0	75.7	7.8	20.1	2,373.3
June		914.5	675.3	304.7	219.1	160.0	75.0	7.8	20.4	2,376.8
July		914.7	674.2	306.3	221.2	159.7	75.0	8.0	20.3	2,379.4
August		917.9	674.2	306.3	220.9	160.6	74.8	8.0	20.6	2,383.3
September		920.3	677.2	307.0	221.6	161.1	75.1	8.0	20.8	2,391.1
October	• •	925.8	681.1	306.9	222.5	161.6	75.3	8.1	21.0	2,402.3
				F	EMALES.					
1954—June		275.8	216.7	85.8	55.7	43.2	20.2	1.2	2.9	701.5
1959—June		321.2	253.5	97.7	68.4	48.4	23.2	1.9	4.8	819.1
1960—June		342.7	269.7	102.3	72.6	50.4	24.5	2.0	5.5	869.7
1961—June		343.6	266.2	102.1	72.3	51.2	24.9	2.3	6.3	868.9
1962—June		359.0	276.5	104.7	76.7	53.4	25.5	2.5	7.2	905.5
1963—June	٠.	369.7	284.7	108.8	80.8	55.5	25.5	2.9	8.7	936.6
1962—September		362.1	280.2	105.7	77.0	54.1	24.6	2.6	7.4	913.7
October		365.1	280.5	106.2	77.5	54.2	24.6	2.6	7.6	918.3
1963—February		368.2	286.4	106.7	80.1	54.1	25.8	2.8	8.1	932.2
March		368.4	287.7	107.2	80.9	54.8	25.9	2.9	8.6	936.4
April		369.9	285.2	107.2	81.0	55.2	26.0	2.9	8.5	935.9
May		369.9	285.3	108.2	80.8	55.5	25.7	2.9	8.7	937.0
June		369.7	284.7	108.8	80.8	55.5	25.5	2.9	8.7	936.6
July		371.2	284.7	109.3	81.6	55.7	25.4	2.9	8.7	939.5
August		372.2	285.2	110.2	81.6	55.7	25.4	2.9	8.8	942.0
September		374.2	286.2	110.5	82.1	56.0	25.5	2.9	9.0	946.4
October		378.6	288.0	110.5	83.3	56.5	25.8	2.9	9.1	954.7

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WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT(a)—continued

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces.)
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Month.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tas- mania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
				P	ERSONS.					
1954—June 1959—June 1960—June 1961—June 1962—June(c) 1963—June	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1050.6 1157.4 1213.3 1220.1 1253.2 1284.2	780.1 875.3 913.2 909.8 930.8 960.0	352.2 387.8 396.0 393.8 399.2 413.5	234.3 269.5 279.0 279.8 287.9 299.9	184.4 193.3 197.9 199.7 208.1 215.5	85.0 93.6 97.1 98.1 99.1 100.5	6.2 8.8 9.2 9.6 10.0 10.7	12.4 19.0 20.8 22.3 25.2 29.1	2,705.2 3,004.7 3,126.5 3,133.2 3,213.5 3,313.4
October		1263.5	937.7	400.0	290.6	210.4	98.3	10.4	25.9 26.3	3,231.1 3,238.2
1963—February March(c) April May June July August September October		1279.0 1282.3 c1284.5 1285.3 1284.2 1285.9 1290.1 1294.5 1304.4	959.7 962.8 c 959.4 960.9 960.0 958.9 959.4 963.4 969.1	399.2 402.9 404.4 409.1 413.5 415.6 416.5 417.5	296.4 298.4 298.3 298.6 299.9 302.8 302.5 303.7 305.8	212.3 213.4 214.2 215.5 215.5 215.4 216.3 217.1 218.1	101.2 101.4 101.4 100.5 100.4 100.2 100.6 101.1	10.4 10.5 10.6 10.7 10.7 10.9 10.9 11.0	27.8 28.5 28.6 28.8 29.1 29.0 29.4 29.8 30.1	3,286.0 3,300.0 c3,301.4 3,310.3 3,313.4 3,318.9 3,325.3 3,337.5 3,357.0

⁽a) See footnotes on page 7. (b) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory, who reside in adjoining areas. (c) Affected by industrial disputes.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS(a)

NUMBERS OF PERSONS ON BENEFIT.

					Sickness.	Spe	cial.					
Period.					Sickiiess.	Ordinary.	Migrant.					
	New		Queens-	South	Western	Tas-	A	ustralia.(c))(d)			
	South Wales.	Victoria.	land.		Australia.	mania.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Australia	Australia	Australia
Monthly Average—	(405	2 (00	2.160	() 050	40.6	010						
	c 6,495	2,698	3,169	(d) 252	406	212	10,680	2,552	13,232	7,994	1,868	426
1954–55	1,440	538	1,408	66	153	81	2,623	1,067	3,690	7,984	1,983	484
1955–56	1,362	479	1,511	83	515	57	3,066	948	4,014	7,303	1,973	464
1956–57	4,151	3,349	2,343	702	1,972	134	10,355	2,311	12,666	6,992	2,012	823
1957-58	8,706	5,127	5,588	1,566	2,360	512	18,978	4,922	23,900	7,314	2,107	611
1958–59	11,588	5,743	4,883	1,603	2,838	611	20,204	7,107	27,311	8,241	2,147	463
1959–60	7,718	4,267	4,442	1,227	2,460	561	14,713	5,993	20,706	8,722	2,290	344
1960–61	7,332	4,884	6,263	1,732	2,200	576	17,243	5,795	23,038	8,505	2,397	437
1961–62	18,932	14,782	10,261	3,748	2,908	1,522	39,694	12,570	52,264	9,379	2,334	475
1962–63	15,563	8,863	8,059	2,235	2,679	1,482	26,757	12,178	38,935	10,508	2,485	174
Last Saturday of Month—												
1961–62—			100									
November	16,324	13,130	8,754	3,278	2 276	1 575	24.002	10.550	15 515	0.000	0.065	222
December	20,311	13,356			2,376	1,575	34,993	10,552	45,545	9,299	2,265	233
·	19,836	13,680	14,654	3,695	3,187	1,398	45,024	11,732	56,756	8,829	2,375	208
T 1			15,262	3,587	3,197	1,385	44,976	12,129	57,105	8,859	2,394	251
A for only	17,917 16,528	11,416	13,793	2,844	2,811	1,225	37,556	12,556	50,112	9,288	2,383	74
A *1	17,558	13,325	12,142 11,286	2,599	2,544	913	33,075	12,795	45,870	9,769	2,432	159
1.6	15,910			3,157	2,646	1,093	34,804	14,332	49,136	9,654	2,346	143
May June	16,967	12,868 14,338	9,126 7,432	3,072 3,057	2,428 2,667	1,199 1,778	31,278 32,401	13,390 13,923	44,668	9,844	2,297 2,391	53 118
1962–63—			, , ,	,,,,,,,	,	2,770	52, 101	13,723	10,521	10,270	2,371	110
	17 242	12 021	((05	2 076	2.700	1 007		10.510				
July	17,243	13,931	6,605	2,876	2,789	1,937	31,834	13,619	45,453	10,494	2,372	62
August	16,690	12,790	5,925	2,648	2,511	2,018	30,028	12,619	42,647	10,579	2,387	165
September	14,926	10,517	5,329	2,105	2,091	1,827	25,764	11,087	36,851	10,950	2,428	47
October November	13,589	8,934	5,548	2,035	2,051	1,588	23,554	10,242	33,796	11,106	2,511	125
TD 1	13,050	7,504	5,767	1,816	2,059	1,580	21,763	10,070	31,833	10,910	2,574	233
	17,150	7,796	11,603	2,153	2,945	1,432	31,493	11,660	43,153	9,707	2,383	304
January	16,893	8,059	13,188	2,299	3,315	1,186	32,895	12,114	45,009	9,911	2,564	187
February	15 259	6,839	11,818	2,132	3,094	1,093	27,908	12,364	40,272	10,231	2,577	118
March	14,568	6,268	9,836	1,922	2,806	964	23,958	12,436	36,394	10,547	2,528	201
April	14,958	7,389	8,801	2,151	2,699	1,106	24,334	12,808	37,142	10,158	2,521	264
May June	1 5,5 96 16,834	7,787 8,548	6,938 5,353	2,245 2,441	2,603 3,179	1,203 1,777	23,355	13,124	36,479	10,631	2,507	205
	20,007	0,540	5,555	2,771	3,177	1,///	24,200	13,988	38,188	10,868	2,468	177
1963–64—		0.555										
July	16,444	8,383	4,265	2,511	3,488	1,995	23,571	13,575	37,146	11,518	2,531	113
August	13,613	7,395	3,649	2,022	3,196	1,948	19,864	12,005	31,869	11,584	2,504	86
September	10,556	6,069	3,399	1,694	2,884	1,939	16,039	10,536	26,575	11,246	2,547	68
October	8,919	4,738	3,188	1,469	2,308	1,669	13,077	9,239	22,316	11,386	2,616	63
November	8,202	3,927	4,083	1,216	2,077	1,447	12,196	8,782	20,978	11,354	2,601	222
December	11,166	4,970	8,080		2,843							

⁽a) As furnished by the Department of Social Services. Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

⁽b) In reception and training centres.

⁽c) Includes Australian

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES IN AUSTRALIA(a): COMMODITY GROUPS

(Figures are on a basis comparable with the 1961-62 Retail Census.)

The figures in the table below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Hotels, garages and service stations are also included in respect of goods sold, but establishments such as clubs and guest houses are entirely excluded. Figures for the years 1952-53, 1956-57 and 1961-62 are derived from censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas other figures are estimates made by means of sample surveys.

(£ million.)

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Period.	Groceries.	But- chers' Meat.	Other Food.	Beer, Wine and Spirits.	Clothing and Drapery.	Foot-wear.	Hard- ware. (d)	Electrical Goods.	Furni- ture.	Chemists' Goods.	News- papers, Books and Stat- ionery.	Other Goods.	Total (Excl. Motor Vehi- cles, etc.).	Motor Vehi- cles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(g)
Quarterly														
Average—														
1953–54	68.7	33.5	55.9	46.7	9	6.9	13.4	22.8	20.2		68.6		426.7	116.0
1954–55	75.5	36.7	61.6	51.1		4.8	14.5	24.8	21.6		75.1		465.7	134.8
1955–56	82.2	39.7	67.3	55.5	10	8.3	15.1	26.1	23.0		81.4		498.6	145.5
1956–57	86.0	42.5	70.7	59.5	95.2	14.8	14.9	28.3	23.1	10.2	17.3	150.2	521.7	149.1
1956–57	80.0	42.3	70.7	39.3	93.2	14.0	14.9	20.3	23.1	19.2	17.3	30.2	341.7	149.1
1957–58	89.6	42.7	73.6	62.2	11	2.7	15.0	34.4	24.4		90.0		544.6	161.3
1958–59	92.2	44.6	77.2	61.9	99.2	16.2	16.5	38.7	24.5	24.3	18.1	51.3	564.7	172.9
1959–60	97.8	48.4	83.9	65.7	108.4	18.0	17.8	46.8	28.6	27.0	19.5	56.8	618.7	207.0
1960–61	104.1	52.8	88.4	67.4	112.4		18.3	44.3	29.2	30.4	20.1	60.8	647.4	206.6
1961–62	107.3	53.0	91.6	68.2	112.3	19.4	18.4	43.5	28.7	33.2	20.9	61.6	658.1	200.8
1962-63 р	110.7	55.0	94.3	71.5	114.1	20.0	19.5	45.1	29.1	34.8	21.3	63.7	679.1	240.4
Quarterly Total—		7												
1960-61														
June Qtr	103.4	54.0	85.2	62.4	118.0	19.9	17.1	39.6	26.0	30.5	18.6	56.2	630.9	184.8
1961–62—														
Sept. ,,	108.0	53.9	88.6	62.6	105.6	18.6	17.5	40.3	28.3	31.8	19.5	59.3	634.0	187.6
Dec. "	113.3	52.9	95.5	74.9	128,1	21.6	20.5	48.3	32.8	36.2	23.9	73.3	721.3	204.3
Mar. ,,	101.5	52.1	92.4	70.4	94.7	16.5	17.7	42.0	25.8	31.8	20.8	55.4	621.1	199.0
June ,,	106.3	52.9	89.9	65.1	120.9	20.8	18.0	43.4	27.9	33.1	19.3	58.3	655.9	212.2
1962-63 p—														
Sept.,	108.4	54.0	89.4	65.1	107.4	19.0	18.3	44.2	29.5	33.7	19.5	59.6	648.1	239.1
Dec. ,,	117.1	55.0	98.6	78.5	132.4	22.7	21.7	51.9	33.7	38.4	24.5	77.8	752.3	252.5
Mar. ,,	106.8	54.2	96.0	74.4	94.2	16.7	18.6	41.6	25.7	32.7	21.0	57.7	639.6	231.9
June ,,	110.4	56.7	93.2	67.9	122.5	21.5	19.5	42.5	27.6	34.6	20.0	59.9	676.3	237.9
1963—64 p—													1.1	
Sept. ",													680.5	261.6
			-									-37	(1)	
Monthly Total—													(h)	
1963 p—													227.0	
July													227.9	
August											. ,		231.8	
September													220.8	
October												• • •	239.6	
November													245.2	
December									, .				304.9	

⁽a) Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes bacon, butter, etc. (c) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (d) Excludes basic building materials, builders' hardware and supplies such as tools of trade, paint, etc. (e) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc. (f) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., jewellery, sporting goods, etc., (g) Includes new and used motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc., but excludes tractors, farm but excludes grain and business machines. machinery and implements, earthmoving equipment, etc. (h) For earlier monthly figures see page 2.

Note.—Figures from September quarter, 1962 are subject to revision when more precise information is available relating to trading by

new businesses.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES

The following statistics cover all types of schemes which relate primarily to the financing of retail sales of goods and in which repayment is made by regular predetermined instalments. Types of schemes covered include Hire Purchase, Time Payment, Budget Account, and Personal Loans relating primarily to financing of retail sales of goods.

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)
(£2000)

				(£'000.)			
				Amount		g Period (excludin st and Insurance).	g Hiring	Balances Outstanding at End
	Period.			Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.	of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
				Hire	PURCHASE.			
Quarterly Avera	100							
1958–59	ige—			46,302	4,122	28,718	79,142	422 004
1959–60				55,895	4,989	31,002		423,904
1960–61	• .		• •			/ /	91,886	508,250
1961–62			• •	47,823	5,684	25,371	78,878	508,074
	• •			43,126	5,340	21,270	69,736	474,037
1962–63			• •	53,571	6,225	21,477	81,273	497,611
Quarterly Total 1960–61—	_							
June 1961–62—	Qtr.	• •		36,370	4,756	19,778	60,904	508,074
September	,,,			36,939	4,686	20,145	61,770	492,016
December	,,			43,415	6,867	23,478	73,760	488,518
March	,,,			43,200	4,927	20,537	68,664	475,449
June	"			48,948	4,879	20,920	74,747	474,037
1962–63—	"		• •	10,510	1,075	20,720	77,777	474,037
September	"			54,602	4,926	21,207	80,735	480,842
December				54,990	7,712	23,803	,	
March	,,		• •				86,505	496,297
June	,,,			52,289 51,857	5,895 6,159	20,614 19,921	78,798	495,642
Juile	"	• •	• •		TALMENT CREI		77,937	497,611
				OTHER HAD				1
Quarterly Avera	age—							
19 5 8- 5 9				688	168	14,339	15,195	47,141
1959-60		. •		2,360	119	17,816	20,295	68,311
1960-61				2,037	94	21,451	23,582	90,911
1961–62				2,545	140	23,282	25,967	109,246
1962–63				4,318	85	24,950	29,353	109,246
Quarterly Total 1960–61—				7,510	03	27,750	27,555	127,339
June 1961–62—	Qtr.	• •	٠.	1,510	82	20,100	21,692	90,911
September	.99			1,936	132	20,712	22,780	91,744
December	,,,			2,472	122	28,034	30,628	101,962
March	"			2,636	129	19,196	21,961	103,307
June				3,136	178	25,186	28,500	109,246
1962-63-	"		• •		170	23,100	20,300	109,240
September	,,			4,062	83	23,668	27,813	112,064
				4,712	69	30,247	35,028	122,961
December	9.9			To / 12				
December March	"			3,910	99	19,545	23,554	122,093

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—continued

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA—continued.

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.) (£'000.)

			Amount	Financed during Charges, Interest	Period (excluding and Insurance).	g Hiring	Balances Outstanding at End
	Period.		Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal Goods.	Total.	of Period (including Hiring Charges, etc.).
			TOTAL INST	TALMENT CRED	IT.		
Quarterly Avera	ige—						151.015
1958-59		 	46,990	4,290	43,057	94,337	471,045
1959-60		 	58,255	5,108	48,818	112,181	576,561
1960-61		 	49,860	5,778	46,822	102,460	598,985
1961-62		 	45,671	5,480	44,552	95,703	583,283
1962-63		 	57,889	6,310	46,427	110,626	625,150
Quarterly Total							
1961-62-						00.60	
March	Qtr.	 	45,836	5,056	39,733	90,625	578,756
June	,,	 	52,084	5,057	46,106	103,247	583,283
1962-63-							
September	9.9	 	58,664	5,009	44,875	108,548	592,906
December	,,	 	59,702	7,781	54,050	121,533	619,258
March	,,	 	56,199	5,994	40,159	102,352	617,735
June	"	 	56,433	6,239	45,845	108,517	625,150

BALANCES OUTSTANDING (INCLUDING HIRING CHARGES, INTEREST AND INSURANCE): STATES

(RETAIL BUSINESSES PLUS NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES.)

(£'000.) Western South New South Tasmania. Australia. Queensland. Victoria. At-Australia.(b) Australia. Wales.(a) HIRE PURCHASE. 475,449 13,359 125,594 63,955 44,538 37,166 190,837 31st March, 1962 13,819 474,037 64.235 43,153 38,329 123,430 191,071 30th June, 1962 480,842 124,201 65,792 42.759 39,964 14,675 30th September, 1962 ... 193,451 15,375 496,297 42,797 42,659 127,769 68,643 199,054 31st December, 1962 42,449 41.893 15,561 495,642 69,359 126,774 199,606 31st March, 1963 15,946 497,611 124,415 70,426 42,351 43,156 201,317 30th June, 1963 OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT. 7,435 4,030 103,307 10,323 11.645 27,537 31st March, 1962 42,337 11,132 8.213 4,074 109,246 29.222 12,398 30th June, 1962 44.207 4,175 112,064 8.598 11,546 13,258 44.544 29,943 30th September, 1962 4,466 122,961 14,300 8,723 33,537 12,918 49,017 31st December, 1962 4,345 122,093 33,756 12,984 14,777 8,646 31st March, 1963 47,585 15,416 4,308 127,539 13,621 8.706 49,680 35,808 30th June, 1963 TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT. 17,389 578,756 74,278 56,183 44,601 153,131 31st March, 1962 233,174 55,551 46,542 17,893 583.283 75,367 152,652 30th June, 1962 235,278 48,562 18,850 592,906 154,144 77,338 56,017 30th September, 1962 237,995 19,841 619,258 81,561 57,097 51,382 248,071 161,306 31st December, 1962 617,735 19,906 82,343 57,226 50,539 31st March, 1963 247:191 160,530 51,862 20,254 625,150 57,767 160,223 84,047 250,997 30th June, 1963

⁽¹⁾ Includes Australian Capital Territory.

⁽b) Includes Northern Territory.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES—continued

AMOUNT FINANCED, BY COMMODITY GROUPS, COLLECTIONS AND BALANCES OUTSTANDING: AUSTRALIA

(Non-Retail Finance Businesses.)

(£'000.)

			Amount	Financed during	ng Period.(a)			
Period.	-		Vehicles, ers, etc.	Plant and Machinery.	Household and Personal	Total.	Collections during Period.(b)	Balances Outstandin at End of Period.(b)
		New.	Used.	watering.	Goods.			
Monthly Average—				_				
1955–56		10,	113	772	2,948	13,833	(c)	201,612
1956–57		11,	125	825	2,880	14,830	(c)	221,762
1957–58		12,	969	897	4,783	18,649	(c)	280,539
1958–59		14,	662	1,229	5,092	20,983	(c)	336,344
1959-60			052	1,465	5,360	24,877	26,346	403,286
1960–61			487	1,680	4,278	21,445	28,271	397,652
1961–62		7,346	7,042	1,623	3,348	19,359	26,820	373,463
1962–63		8,890	9,528	1,890	3,414	23,722	27,057	409,522
Monthly Total—								
1961–62—		7.646	(772	0.170	2.624	20.212	27.440	2000
October		7,646	6,773	2,170	3,624	20,213	27,440	380,944
November		7,899	7,067	2,511	3,679	21,156	27,164	380,772
December		7,268	6,647	1,562	3,737	19,214	24,354	380,686
January		6,711	7,211	1,402	3,485	18,809	27,353	378,029
February		6,972	6,621	1,468	2,991	18,052	27,614	373,687
March		8,217	7,861	1,690	3,332	21,100	29,269	371,130
April		7,117	7,243	1,396	3,071	18,827	24,454	370,393
May		8,980	8,688	1,616	3,780	23,064	28,820	370,718
June 1962–63—		8,935	8,713	1,450	3,468	22,566	26,007	373,463
July		9,408	9,769	1,400	3,420	23,997	27,064	377,556
August		9,213	10,448	1,699	3,522	24,882	27,135	379,292
September		8,201	9,012	1,351	3,137	21,701	23,971	383,853
October		9,851	10,520	2,456	3,522	26,349	28,196	390,141
November		9,707	10,147	2,715	3,645	26,214	26,741	396,377
December		8,465	8,345	1,955	3,830	22,595	23,969	401,687
January		8,510	10,339	1,645	3,579	24,073	29,035	403,706
February		8,252	8,819	2,023	3,004	22,098	27,992	403,800
March		8,677	9,155	1,723	3,074	22,629	28,936	403,303
April		8,551	8,938	1,773	3,223	22,485	26,863	405,112
May		9,254	9,936	2,107	3,546	24,843	29,043	407,581
June		8,434	8,836	1,637	3,175	22,082	25,736	409,522
1963-64-								
July(e)		11,600	11,200	1,600	3,500	27,900	29,800	416,300
August(e)		11,000	11,400	1,700	3,400	27,500	27,700	423,000
September (e)		10,300	11,100	1,800	3,300	26,500	26,800	430,000
October(e)		11,400	12,300	2,600	3,500	29,800	29,700	439,100
November (e)		11,100	11,100	3,100	3,700	29,000	27,300	(d)448,500

⁽a) Excludes hiring charges, interest and insurance. (b) Includes hiring charges, interest and insurance. (c) Not available. (d) Provisional estimate 31st December, 1963, £m.455. (e) Preliminary estimates to the nearest hundred thousand pounds.

WHOLESALE TRADE

An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, goods sold by wholesale in Australia including imports, are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degrees. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustment to be made to the crude figures on this account.

(£ million.)

				(10	million	**/				
							Ne	et Sales Record	ded.	
		Per	riod.					Taxable	Exempt	
								Goods.	Goods.	Total
Monthly Ave	rage—									
1953–54		 						57.3	122.2	179.5
1954–55		 						63.9	141.6	205,5
1955-56		 						66.5	154.8	221.3
1956–57		 			, ,			65.1	168.1	233,2
1957–58		 						70.8	175.5	246.3
1958-59		 		•				74.2	179.3	253.5
1959–60		 						85,0	196.2	281.2
1960–61		 			, .			86.7	203.9	290.6
1961–62		 						87.5	201.3	288.8
1962–63		 						96.0	218.9	314.9
		Ta	ixable Ne	et Sales a	it each R	ate of Ta	ax.			
		2½%	12½%	16%%	22½%	25%	30%			
Monthly Tota	1									
1961–62—										
Septemb	er	 17.3	40.4	9.0		8.0	11.9	86.6	201.7	288.3
October		 18.5	45.3	9.3		8.2	13.4	94.7	206.1	300.8
Novemb		 21.4	46.0	9.6		9.2	13.8	100.0	219.3	319.3
Decembe		 20.8	45.4	8.9		9.9	12.7	97.7	193.1	290.8
January		13.3	34.2	8.3		6.3	10.8	72.9	178.9	251.8
February		 20.1	43.5	2.0	11.0	6.9	2.3	85.8	197.9	283.7
March		 17.4	49.2		15.7	8.2		90.5		
April		 15.3	43.8		13.7	7.5		80.1	214.4	304.9
May		 23.2	49.7		16.1	9.0		98.0	192.4	272.5
June		 15.1	45.6			7.8			230.5	328.5
1962–63—		 13.1	43.0		17.8	7.0		86.3	201.0	287.3
July		16.8	48.2		17.8	8.3		91.1	204.6	205 5
August		 19.3	51.6		20.4	9.1		100.4	204.6	295.7
Septemb		 17.6	49.9		18.0	8.4		93.9	205.0	322.0
October		 19.7	58.3	• •	20.8	9.7	٠,٠	108.5	203.0	298.9 337.7
Novemb		 21.7	60.2	• •	20.6	10.6	• •	113.1	229.2	
Decembe		 21.7	56.3		17.9	10.6		105.5		350.8
January		 13.2	45.5		16.3	6.4		81.4	207.0	312.5
February	, ,		48.0						190.5	271.9
		 16.4			17.9	6.9		89.2	206.8	296.0
March		 16.9	51.3		18.2	7.6		94.0	221.3	315.3
April		 15.8	49.3		16.9	8.7		90.7	240.2	330.9
May		 18.7	53.0		17.7	8.0		97.4	239.2	336.6
June		 15.7	46.7		16.7	6.8		85.9	224.0	309.9
1963–64—		10.0	= 4 C							
July		 19.0	54.8		22.1	8.4		104.3	237.9	342.2
August		 19.6	52.2		20.9	9.3		102.0	249.5	351.5
Septemb		 20.2	49.9		23.4	9.0		102.5	254.2	356.7
October(a)	 21.5	55.0		23.0	9.7		109.2	266.1	375.3

⁽a) Preliminary and partly estimated.

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

	-		F	rodu	cers' Ma	aterials	for use in-	_								
						Manu	facturing.				Fuel and		Auxili Aids		Munit and V	
Period-	Building Construc		Rur		Mo Veh Assem	icle	Othe	r.	(c)	l.	Lubrican		Product (e)	ion.	Store	
	Class I	Α.	Class	Ī. B.	Class I	. c (5).	Class I. c	(1-4).	Class	I.	Class	II.	Class	III.	Class	VII.
Monthly Average— 1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59	1,946 3,044 2,567 2,062 1,928 1,899	% 3.4 4.3 3.8 3.5 2.9	550 562 738	0.7 0.8 0.9 1.1 1.0	5,672 4,300 4,751 5,177	7.2 7.8	27,115 26,692	41.4 41.3 40.3	g34,454 31,647 34,532 34,438	% 38.8 41.7 50.6 53.0 52.5 52.0	4,790 3,889 2,343 2,026 2,268	6.9 5.7 3.9 3.1 3.5	1,995 2,503 2,357 2,191 2,223 2,204	% 3.5 3.6 3.4 3.7 3.4 3.3	351 728 1,071 745 676 721	0.9 1.6 1.2 1.0 1.1
1959-60	2,689 3,433 2,279 2,807	3.5 3.8 3.1 3.1	978	1.1 1.4	6,592 7,142 4,062 7,995	7.9 5.5	36,899 28,857		48,452 36,220	53.6	2,222 2,140	2.4	2,425 3,212 2,582 2,877	3.2 3.6 3.5 3.2	1,035 651 796 596	0.7
1961–62— October November December January February March April May June	2,084 2,016 1,955 2,616 2,150 2,786 2,165 3,260 2,862	2.9 3.2 3.1 3.6 3.0 3.6	832 962 921 850 901	1.2 1.3 1.1 1.3 1.1 1.3	2,353 2,517 2,523 3,780 3,897 5,750 4,633 6,849 6,431	3.6 4.1 4.6 5.6 7.4 6.5	27,318 26,282 33,280 27,629 29,067 27,167	<i>39.0 42.4</i>	32,695 31,592 40,638 34,597 38,453 34,866 46,630	46.7 46.7 51.0 49.5 50.0 49.7 49.0 51.4	1,974 918 2,512 2,543 2,397 1,712 3,186	2.8 1.5 3.1 3.7 3.1 2.4 3.5	3,431 3,247 1,834 2,791 1,861 2,385 2,172 2,442 2,745	5.0 4.7 3.0 3.4 2.7 3.0 3.1 2.7 3.4	1,147 478 395 988 644 694 684 1,053 620	0.7 0.6 1.2 0.9 0.9 1.0 1.1
July August September October November December January February March April May June		3.3 3.3 3.0 3.3 2.5 2.8 3.1 3.6 2.8 3.2	1,243 1,523 981 797	1.3 1.7 1.0 0.9 1.1 0.8 1.0 1.1 1.4	7,981 6,868 7,465 9,839 10361	9.7 8.5 8.8 8.1 7.8 7.7 8.7 9.3 10.7 10.8	35,427 33,820 35,293 r37,496 28,830 39,978 31,637 30,520 32,855 35,791	38.6 38.7 40.3 37.7 35.6 37.4	49,338 45,647 47,359 r49,139 37,392 51,640 41,723 41,823 46,612	50.7 52.2 50.8 51.7 50.0 53.1 51.7 50.5 52.5	2,865 1,566 2,870 3,050 1,487 3,321 1,689 2,989 2,876 2,902	2.9 1.8 3.1 3.2 2.0 3.2 2.1 3.7 3.1 3.0	3,101 2,313 4,105 2,815 2,442 3,513 2,824 2,578 2,698 2,520	2.6	336 518 249 1,166 341 165 621 608 429 1,404	0.6 0.3 1.2 0.4 0.2 0.8 0.8
1963–64 p— July August September October November	2,695 2,972 2,847	2.8 3.3 3.1	941 1,314 1,137 1,500 1,159	1.4 1.3 1.6	9,270 6,102 7,369	9.6 6.9 7.9	r36,115	39.3 39.3 38.8	51,126 45,183 r47,831	53.1 50.8 51.4	1,770 2,498 1,601	1.8 2.8 1.7	3,059 2,587 3,742	3.2 2.9 4.0	1,684 1,229 995	

⁽a) Owing to insufficient information it is not possible to treat unassembled tractors and other machinery in a similar manner to motor vehicles and all such machinery is treated as capital equipment whether imported in an assembled or unassembled condition. (b) Includes replacement parts. (c) Excludes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail and paper to be used solely for wrapping which are recorded in Classes VI. E-J and III. respectively. (d) Excludes crude petroleum which is included in Class I. c. (1-4). (e) Includes a percentage for paper used solely for wrapping, see note (c). (f) Included in Class V.B. (g) Prior to July, 1955, excludes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c. (5)

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: ECONOMIC CLASSES—continued

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

		С	apital Equip	oment.					Finishe	d Cons	umer Goo	ds.		
			Trans	sport E	quipment									
Period.	Produc Equipn		Complete Vehicles Assemb Chassi	and led	Railv Equipm Vessels Civil Ai	nent,	Food, Beve and Toba		Clothing Accesso	,	All Ot		Tota (a)	
	Class	IV.	Class V	. в.	Class V.	A, C, D.	Class VI. A	A, B, C.	Class V	I. D.	Class VI	. E-J.	Class	VI.
Monthly		%		%		%		%		%		%		%
Average—		, 0		/ 0		70		/0		/0		/0		/0
1953–54	9,474	16.8	5,679	10.2	1,552	2.7	2,658	4.7	446	0.8	6,736	11.9	9,840	17.4
1954–55	10,289	14.8	7,377	10.5	1,824	2.6	3,236	4.6	614	0.9	9,468		13,318	19.0
1955–56	11,174	16.4	(b) 1,784	2.6	1,841	2.7	2,276	3.3	491	0.7	8,854	13.0	11,621	17.0
1956–57	10,132	16.9	958	1.6	1,616	2.8	2,388	4.0	281	0.5	7,422	12.4	10,091	16.9
1957–58	12,040	18.3	1,047	1.6	1,353	2.1	2,523	3.8	429	0.6	8,923		11,875	
1958–59	11,613	17.5	951	1.4		3.4	2,699	4.1	397	0.6	8,695		11,791	17.8
1959–60	13,830	17.9		1.4	, ,	3.2	3,058	4.0	465	0.6	10,016	13.0	13,539	17.6
1960–61	16,534	18.3	1,438	1.6	1 ' 1	1.9	3,470	3.8	650	0.7	12,100		16,220	17.5
1961–62	14,165	19.3		1.4	1,575	2.1	3,302	4.5	527	0.7	11,208		15,037	20.4
1962–63	17,244	19.2	1,931	2.1	1,559	1.7	3,417	3.8	606	0.7	13,027	14.5	17,050	19.0
Monthly Total—														
1961–62— October	12,514	18.2	921	1.3	1,652	2.4	2 022	5 7	224	0.5	11.064	1- 1	1 5 500	
November	14,092	20.1	970	1.3	1 ' 1	3.0	3,932 3,195	5.7	324	0.5	11,264		15,520	
December	11,454	18.5	639	1.1	1 ' 1	2.5	3,168	4.6 5.1	366 348	0.5	10,867 9,986		14,428	20.6
January	15,480	18.9	1,213	1.5	/ /	2.2	3,782	4.6	704	0.8	12,113		13,502 16,599	21.8 20.2
February	13,382	19.4	970	1.4		1.4	2,758	4.0	629	0.9	10,818		14,205	20.3
March	15,684	20.2	1,758	2.3	1	1.4	3,519	4.5	667	0.9	10,887		15,073	
April	13,693	19.2	1,045	1.5	1 ' 1	2.3	3,368	4.7	546	0.8	11,397		15,311	21.5
May	17,810	19.6	1,275	1.4	1,329	1.5	3,544	3.9	461	0.5	13,085		17,090	
June	16,134	19.7	1,167	1.4	1,040	1.3	2,730	3.3	490	0.6	11,150		14,370	
1962-63 p													,	
July	17,002	19.1	1,510	1.7	, ,	2.0	3,176	3.6	628	0.7	13,529	15.2	17,333	19.5
August	19,421	19.9	2,040	2.1	1 ' 1	1.8	2,760	2.8	747	0.8	15,005	15.4	18,512	19.0
September	17,296	19.7	1,583	1.8		1.3	3,332	3.8	647	0.7	13,512		17,491	20.0
October	17,497	18.7	1,642	1.7	1,198	1.3	3,312	3.5	491	0.5	14,650		18,453	19.7
November	17,028	17.9	1,786	1.9	'	1.5	4,201	4.4	429	0.5	14,021	14.7	18,651	19.0
December	15,214	20.4 19.8	1,648 2,357	2.2		2.2 1.7	3,138	4.2	420	0.6	11,016		14,574	
January February	20,458 13,899	17.7	1,974	2.3 2.5		1.8	4,331 3,230	4.2	694	0.7	15,071	14.5	20,096	
March	14,437	17.8	,	2.4	1 - 1	1.5	3,343	4.1 4.1	873 791	1.1	10,350		14,453	
A **	18,650	20.2		2.6		2.3	3,343	3.6	606	0.7	11,199 12,596		15,333	
April May	18,823	19.7		2.2		1.8	3,097	3.2	503	0.7			16,543 16,010	
June	17,204	19.0		2.4		1.6	3,737	4.1	440	0.5	12,410	14.3	17,146	
1963–64 p—	,		,		,		- , ,			0.0	,,,,,,,,	11.5	17,170	10.7
July	19,658	19.7	2,401	2.4	1,502	1.5	3,218	3.2	763	0.8	13,364	13.4	17,345	17.4
August	18,106	18.8	1,748	1.8		1.3	3,449	3.6	612	0.6			17,568	18.3
September	17,365	19.5	1,539	1.7		1.4	3,895	4.4	853	0.9			17,395	
October	17,264	18.6	2,042	2.2		1.8	3,946	4.2	538	0.6	/ 1	14.4	17,873	
November	17,020	17.6	2,005	2.1	1,940	2.0	4,362	4.5	493	0 5	15,659	16.2	20,514	

⁽a) Includes a percentage for piece-goods to be sold at retail, see note (c), page 16. (b) Prior to July, 1955, includes completely knocked down vehicles, components for the assembly of motor vehicles and replacement parts which since July, 1955, have been recorded in Class I. c. (5).

IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: DEGREE OF MANUFACTURE

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

		(£A	.o.1 000°	b. Port c	of Shipm	ent.)				
		icers' Mat			Consume lass VI.)(t		Total		of Merchan	ndise.
Period.	Crude.	Simply trans-formed.	Elabor- ately trans- formed.	Crude.	Simply trans- formed.	Elabor- ately trans- formed.	Crude.	Simply trans-formed.	Elabor- ately trans- formed.	Total.
Monthly Average—										
1954–55	. 6,260 . 8,818 . 10,095 . 10,650 . 11,563 . 11,628 . 12,834 . 13,395 . 11,704 . 13,179	4,986 4,557 4,741 5,501 4,954 6,031 7,377 5,587	15,448 c 19,802 16,256 17,468 17,856 21,674 27,689 18,970	428 423 497 600 565 696 785 733	1,571 1,508	10,007 8,144 9,916 9,676 11,306 13,847 12,797	12,163 12,193 13,530 14,180 12,437	13,167 10,913 9,623 10,089 9,961 11,131 12,783 10,494	47,668 46,760 38,953 43,520 44,052 52,392 63,481 50,615	70,081 68,191 59,723 65,772 66,206 77,053 90,444 73,546
November December January February March	11,725 10,065 13,231 14,498 12,847 13,494 13,427 12,583 14,376 11,373 13,603 12,771 12,599 11,673 14,105 15,300 14,819 14,464 14,129 12,377 16,075	4,751 4,733 6,823 5,588 5,809 5,927 8,130 7,004 7,507 7,717 7,691 7,920 8,604 5,576 8,937 6,494 6,395 7,003 7,372 7,134 8,455 7,741 7,351 8,156	17,257 16,108 22,191 17,636 21,079 18,912 25,353 21,838 24,720 28,213 24,578 27,106 26,163 20,431 29,123 22,459 22,873 27,956 28,795 24,819 29,019 28,921 23,703	583 544 795 546 670 757 1,020 607 598 759 673 678 1,054 687 825 773 763	1,474 1,294 1,694 1,515 1,168 1,517 1,333 1,609 1,537 1,774 1,177 1,661 1,548 1,531 1,222 1,945 1,513 1,427 1,570 1,421 1,833 1,401 1,373 1,907 1,598 1,733	12,551 11,264 14,289 12,491 12,886 13,221 14,461 12,226 14,961 16,576 15,157 16,227 16,066 12,665 17,326 12,167 13,143	11,277 11,224 12,428 11,907 12,395 10,822 14,251 15,105 13,445 14,253 14,100 13,261 15,430 12,060 14,428 13,544	9,199 8,366 12,224 10,452 11,070 10,230 14,534 12,216 13,729 13,559 12,535 14,097 14,821 9,576 16,019 11,054 12,202	49,520 42,304 57,389 46,806 54,099 50,074 62,030 54,363 61,882 69,596 60,884 66,015 r64,853 53,103 72,932 53,961 55,384 66,734 67,439 61,869 70,234 68,188 60,679 r66,434	69,996 61,894 82,041 69,165 77,564 71,126 90,815 81,684 89,056 97,408 87,519 93,373 r95,104 74,739 103,379 78,559 80,948 92,281 95,797 90,637

(a) See note (c), page 16, (b) See note (a) page 17, (c) See note (g), page 16.

Note.—Class II. consists entirely of goods "simply transformed", and Classes IV., V. and VII. entirely of goods "more elaborately transformed". Class III. is about equally divided between goods "simply" and "more elaborately transformed".

EXPORTS OF MERCHANDISE: PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Meats.	Butter.	Wheat and Flour.	Fresh Fruits.	Dried Fruits.	Sugar and Sugar Syrups.	Hides and Skins.	Wool.	Lead.	Total Exports of Mer- chandise
Monthly Average—						,				
1953–54	 4,817	1,338	5,053	782	616	2,639	1,620	34,202	2,004	
1954-55	 5,291	2,049	5,461	731	703	2,604	1,642	29,426	2,070	63,170
1955–56	 5,039	2,414	5,513	762	650	2,070	1,740	28,127	2,106	64,236
1956–57	 4,250	2,152	6,811	715	549	2,407	2,022	40,310	2,684	
1957–58	 4,602	1,303	3,570	1,089	762	2,919	2,116	31,116	1,829	
1958–59 1959–60	 8,100	2,079 2,387	4,309 6,402	785 775	1,062 756	2,687 2,228	1,964 2,648	25,187 32,180	1,580 1,358	
1960–61	 7,386 6,022	1,638	10,117	864	758	2,930	2,266	27,871	1,361	Sec. 10. 12
1961–62	 7,472	1,962	13,384	1,114	863	2,828	2,679	31,044	1,575	
1962–63	 9,405	1,984	10,346	1,250	795	3,794	3,073	31,636	1,465	89,08
Monthly Total—										
1961–62—										
October	 8,769	1,785	13,399	184	931	2,517	3,050	36,677	2,033	95,60
November	 7,974	4,734	11,929	210	152	2,014	3,101	43,593	1,121	
December	 7,260	2,834	6,473	87	271	3,304	2,304	37,059	1,546	
January	 8,130		15,439	110	152	1,887	2,153	38,150	1,249	
February	 7,255	1,503	12,793	257	304		2,404	32,053 33,591	1,909 1,729	
March April	 7,618 5,837	1,010 1,356	10,992 11,626	1,824 3,084	588 867		2,401 2,422	32,015	1,729	
May	 6,997	1,876	18,511	4,232		2,085	2,908	28,358	1,746	1
June	 7,712	1,179	13,570		746		2,896	26,944	2,503	
1962–63 p—										- >
July	 10,008	666	13,377	516	727	2,509	2,985	25,618	1,720	79,69
August	 10,114		7,612		1,502		3,323	16,418	1,113	73,47
September	 9,860		5,985		1,683		3,203	21,493	1,660	
October	 9,888		4,964				3,609	33,782	1,368	
November December	 12,426		7,882	215 151	453 463	1	3,337 2,389	43,442 37,582	1,490	102,17 87,0
January	 8,285 10,766		4,341 9,571	108		1 /	2,984	38,059	1,212	
February	 7,486						2,925	31,508		
March	 7,983							36,370	1,178	95,68
April	 7,549					/		32,662	1,313	
May	 8,953					1		33,826	/	
June	 9,541	2,255	12,070	3,410	932	2,428	2,993	28,872	2,097	93,29
1963–64 p—										
July	 12,076					1				5 117,1
August	 12,252				1 '					
September	 9,931									2 103,1 7 115,3
Octobër November	 11,594 11,445				1			,		1113,3
December	 8,211				1					0 118,3
	 0,211	2,012	1 - 9 - 0 - 2	120		. , , , , , , , ,		1	-,	122,2

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

The table below sets out Export Price Index numbers on the reference base: Year 1959-60 = 100. This current Export Price Index was first published for August, 1962, and has been compiled for each month from July, 1959. It replaced the previous Export Price Index which was published on the reference base: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.

A full description of the current index and its relationship with the previous index is given in Statistical Bulletin S.B. 134 of 8th October, 1962. Index numbers of the previous Export Price Index, converted to the base: Year 1959-60 = 100 are set out on page 21.

(Base of each Index: Year 1959-60 = 100.)

Period.		Wool.	Meats.	Dairy Produce.	Cereals.	Dried and Canned Fruits.	Sugar.	Hides and Tallow.	Metals and Coal.	Gold.	All Groups.
1959–60 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63	• •	100 92 97 104	100 104 100 101	100 82 81 88	100 99 106 107	100 99 95 p90	100 101 91 107	100 92 84 72	100 97 91 89	100 100 100 100	100 95 96 p101
November December January February March April May June		92 92 92 98 99 99	100 99 101 101 97 97 97	79 84 83 83 83 82 82 82	102 105 107 108 107 111 112 112	95 96 95 93 93 93 93	87 89 87 82 84 90 85	83 83 83 82 81 81 79 78	91 91 90 91 91 90 90	100 100 100 100 100 100 100	93 94 94 97 97 97 98 98
July August September October November December January February March April May June		98 92 92 96 98 101 112 110 112 112 115	99 101 102 102 101 101 101 99 98 100 102	85 85 85 88 88 88 88 90 90 90	112 112 111 109 110 105 105 104 104 104 104	90 91 91 91 91 91 91 91 89 88 88 88	86 88 86 92 91 94 93 109 128 121 128 165	76 75 74 74 74 73 70 69 69 68	89 86 87 86 88 88 91 91 91 90	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	97 94 94 96 97 98 104 105 105 105 p109
July August September October November December		114 110 112 117 128 p126	103 103 105 105 105 r103 p100	94 94 94 94 94 94	103 102 102 107 107 109	p92 p93 p97 p98 p99 p100	164 165 159 163 198 187	67 66 64 68 74 74	94 96 94 96 p96 p101	100 100 100 100 100 100	p109 p107 p108 p111 p118 p117

EXPORT PRICE INDEX

PREVIOUS EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS CONVERTED TO BASE: YEAR 1959-60 = 100 (See notes at top of page 20.)

Year.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter.	Metals.	Meats.	Sugar.	Dried Fruits.	Tallow.	Hides.	All Groups Excl. Gold.	Gold	All Groups.
1950–51	 235	130	86	161	48	91	65	118	206	176	99	173
1951-52	 133	131	92	189	61	103	87	149	133	126	103	125
1952-53	 145	134	99	118	73	111	85	119	101	128	104	128
1953-54	 145	123	103	105	78	106	82	106	92	126	101	125
1954-55	 127	107	99	119	80	98	77	116	60	115	100	114
1955-56	 109	97	102	131	82	100	82	117	65	105	100	105
1956-57	 136	98	79	127	85	111	91	118	66	118	100	117
1957-58	 111	107	69	93	77	115	98	122	66	102	100	102
1958-59	 85	105	73	90	91	105	110	122	92	89	100	90
1959-60	 100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

EXPORT PRICE INDEX AND INDEXES OF VALUES OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT CONSTANT PRICES

	Export Pri (Base: Year 19		Ind		of Exports an Base: Year 195		Constant Pric	es (a)
					Exports.(b)			Imports.(b)
Period.	All Groups Excl. Gold.	All Groups.	Foodstuffs.	Wool and Sheepskins	Minerals, Metals and Metal Manufac- tures.(c)	Other Exports.	All Exports.	All Groups.
1959–60	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1960–61	94	95	109	97	113	120	105	118
1961–62	96	96	132	102	142	131	120	97
1962–63 p	101	101	128	100	128	148	118	120
1961–62—								
April	98	98						
May	98	98	<u>}</u> 145	96	149	138	123	108
June	98	98						
1962-63-			р	р	р	р	р	р
July	97	97						
August	94	94	> 127	74	114	133	103	121
September	94	94	J					
October	96	96						
November	97	97	\> 110	125	145	150	125	117
December	98	98						
January	104	104	124	106	110	1.52	122	118
February	104	104	134	106	118	153	122	110
March	105	105 105						
April	105 105	105	139	93	137	155	120	123
May	p109	p109	7 139	93	137	155	120	123
June	p109	p109)					
July	p109	р109)					
August	p107	p107	165	83	168	177	130	126
September	p108	p108						
October .	110	p111						
November	rp118	p118						
December	p118	p117						

⁽a) New indexes on base 1959-60 = 100, replacing previous indexes on base 1955-56 = 100. These indexes are calculated largely by a direct revaluation at base year prices of quantities of goods exported and imported, or where this is impracticable, by dividing values by appropriate price indexes.

(b) Excludes gold.

(c) Excludes machinery.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used have, in the main, been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants. With a few important exceptions they are from Melbourne sources. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928–29 to 1934–35 inclusive.

(Base of each Index: Average of three years ended June, 1939=100.)

			Ba	sic Mater	ials.				Basic Ma	terials&F	oodstuffs
Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Mater- ials.	Total.	Food- stuffs and Tobacco.	Goods prin- cipally Imported (c)	Goods prin- cipally Home Produced (b)	Total All Groups (b)
1953–54	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954–55	391	214	510	314	246	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955–56	404	220	456	317	328	415	345	325	292	352	334
1956–57	409	241	520	344	302	463	367	324	311	357	344
1957–58	398	238	437	349	280	453	355	325	301	355	339
1958–59	392	231	362	327	293	423	340	332	283	358	336
1959–60	395	225	403	331	379	431	347	348	281	375	348
1960–61	399	222	387	331	341	439	346	372	278	394	360
1961–62	392	212	400	333	302	439	340	332	270	363	336
1962–63	388	209	432	317	262	439	336	342	270	368	340
1961–62—											
November	393	211	385	333	297	439	339	322	272	354	330
December	393	211	385	333	286	439	339	326	270	358	332
January	393	211	386	333	292	439	339	329	268	361	334
February	390	211	402	333	288	439	339	329	267	362	334
March	390	211	410	334	297	439	340	328	269	360	333
April	390	211	410	334	304	439	340	327	267	361	333
Ma y	392	211	410	334	299	439	340	330	271	361	334
June	389	211	410	333	293	439	339	337	269	367	338
1962–63—											
July	389	211	405	317	290	439	337	342	269	370	340
August	387	211	390	317	284	439	335	346	270	371	341
September	389	210	390	317	281	439	336	342	270	367	339
October	389	210	400	317	274	439	336	342	272	367	339
November	387	208	405	317	268	439	334	337	272	363	336
December	387	208	420	317	267	439	335	340	272	365	338
January	387	208	458	317	259	439	337	343	274	368	340
February	389	208	454	317	249	439	337	341	272	368	339
March	389	208	465	316	246	439	338	340	273	366	339
April	389	209	464	316	250	439	338	338	273	365	338
May	387	209	464	316	246	439	337	343	272	369	340
June	385	209	474	316	231	444	337	354	271	378	346
1963–64—											
July	385	209	468	316	227	449	338	359	271	382	349
August	383	209	458	283	223	462	336	359	274	380	348
September	383	207	461	283	213	462	335	359	274	379	348
October	385	207	476	283	210	468	338	351	276	374	345
November	384	207	506	283	216	468	339	345	276	374	343
December	383	207	p501	283	219	469	p339	339	276	p366	p339

⁽a) Special purpose index for the "Metals and Coal" group excluding Coal and Briquettes for December, 1963, is 439.

(b) During 1956 these indexes were reconstructed from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions. For December, 1963, index numbers for these groups comparable with the previous indexes including potatoes and onions are: "Foodstuffs and Tobacco", 336, "Goods Principally Home Produced", p363, "Total All Groups", p337. (c) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index and does not measure changes in prices of all imports.

PRICE INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Source: Monthly Bulletin of Statistics of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

The index numbers show fluctuations in prices in each country and do not measure relative price levels as between countries.

A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -95-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period. A line between two index numbers indicates that it is not possible to link two series (because of change in scope, etc.) and therefore the index numbers are not comparable with each other even though they are shown on the same base period.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958=100.)

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the various countries.

	Period.		Australia.	Canada.	France.	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan (Tokyo).	New Zealand.	South Africa.	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
1958			100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1959			101	101	105	99	101	102	100	101	100
1960			107	101	107	100	102	102	101	101	100
1961			103	102	110	102	103	102	101	100	100
1962			100	105	113	103	101	102	101	100	100
Quarte	er—										
1962	2—June		100	105	113	103	101	102	101	100	100
	Septen	nber	101	106	112	103	101	102	101	99	100
	Decen	nber	101	106	114	103	101	102	103	100	100
1963	3—March	ı	101	107	116	104	102	103	102	101	100
	June		102	107	116	103	103	104	102	101	100
	Septen	nber	104	108	116	103	103		103	100	100

⁽a) Beginning 1961, base: November, 1960 = 100.

CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES

(Base of Each Index: Year 1958 = 100.)

	Period.		Australia.	Canada.	France (Paris).	Federal Republic of Germany.	Japan.	New Zealand.	South Africa. (b)	United Kingdom.	United States of America.
1958			100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1959			102	101	106	101	101	104	101	101	101
1960			106	102	110	102	105	105	103	102	102
1961			108	103	114	105	110	106	105	105	103
1962			108	104	119	109	118	109	106	-110-	105
Quarto	er—										-13-6083
1962	2—June		108	104	118	109	117	109	106	110	104
	Septer	mber	108	105	119	109	118	110	107	110	105
	Decer	nber	108	105	121	109	120	110	107	110	105
1963	3—Marcl	h	108	106	123	112	124	110	107	112	105
	June		109	106	125	112	127	111	107	112	105
	Septer	mber	109	107	127	111	128	112	108	111	106

⁽a) Consumer Price Index converted to base: 1958=100.

⁽b) European families' expenditure.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index was first published in August, 1960. It has been compiled for periods from September quarter, 1948. A full description of the Consumer Price Index is contained in Labour Report, No. 48, 1960.

GROUP INDEXES: WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0.)

Period.			Food.	Clothing and Drapery.	Housing.	Household Supplies and Equipment.	Miscel- laneous.	All Groups
Year ended June—								
1954			103.5	100.7	104.8	101.6	99.9	102.0
1955			104.3	101.0	104.8	101.0	99.9	102.6
1956			110.2	102.0	115.1	101.4	105.9	102.6
1957			115.3	103.9	122.1	105.8	118.0	113.1
1958			113.3	107.0	127.3	107.5	119.7	114.2
1959			115.4	108.2	130.6	108.7	121.2	116.0
1960			119.8	109.4	135.2	109.8	123.9	118.9
1961			127.7	111.6	144.8	111.2	127.3	123.8
1962			125.5	112.8	150.7	112.7	128.1	124.3
1963			124.3	113.2	155.0	112.4	128.8	124.5
Quarter—								
1957–58—September			113.4	106.2	125.6	107.6	119.6	113.9
December			112.1	106.7	127.0	108.0	119.6	113.7
March			113.9	106.7	127.6	107.1	119.6	114.3
June			113.9	108.2	128.8	107.3	119.8	114.8
1958–59—September			113.7	108.2	129.2	107.9	120.1	114.9
December			114.6	108.4	130.4	108.7	121.3	115.8
March			116.3	108.1	130.9	108.9	121.5	116.3
June			117.1	107.9	131.9	109.1	121.9	116.8
1959-60—September			117.9	108.3	132.5	109.4	122.3	117.3
December			118.4	109.2	133.9	109.6	123.0	118.0
March			120.3	109.5	134.8	110.0	123.8	119.0
June			122.6	110.5	139.4	110.2	126.4	121.1
1960-61—September			126.0	110.7	141.4	110.6	126.7	122.5
December			126.7	111.5	144.1	111.0	127.2	123.3
March			128.6	111.7	145.7	111.3	127.5	124.2
June	• •	• •	129.4	112.4	148.0	111.9	127.7	125.0
1961-62—September			128.1	112.4	148.5	112.6	127.9	124.8
December			125.3	112.9	150.5	112.7	128.3	124.3
March			124.7	112.9	151.0	112.7	128.0	124.1
June	• •		123.7	112.9	152.6	112.8	128.2	124.0
1962–63—September			124.2	113.0	153.3	112.8	128.4	124.3
December			124.3	113.2	154.7	112.4	128.7	124.4
March			124.1	113.2	155.3	112.1	129.0	124.5
June	• •		124.5	113.4	156.8	112.4	129.2	124.9
1963–64—September			125.0	113.7	157.9	110.6	129.7	125.1
December	, .		124.5	113.7	159.0	110.8	129.5	125.0

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

See note at top of page 24. The indexes shown below measure price movements in each State capital city individually and for the weighted average of the six capital cities. They do not compare price levels as between cities.

ALL GROUPS: SIX CAPITAL CITIES SEPARATELY AND COMBINED

(Base of each index: Year 1952-53=100.0.)

Period.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart,	Six Capital Cities. (Weighted Average.)
Year ended June— 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959 1960 1961 1962 1963	101.6 102.3 105.7 112.9 114.5 115.3 117.8 122.1 122.6 123.2	102.0 102.0 108.1 114.0 114.4 116.6 120.0 125.9 126.3 126.2	102.0 102.9 106.3 112.0 114.4 118.2 121.2 125.4 127.3 127.7	102.3 103.5 106.9 111.1 111.9 114.5 118.0 122.9 122.5 122.1	103.0 105.2 107.9 112.9 113.6 114.7 116.9 121.2 121.6 122.2	105.0 104.9 110.2 116.9 117.0 118.7 120.8 127.5 128.1 128.0	102.0 102.6 106.9 113.1 114.2 116.0 118.9 123.8 124.3
Quarter—							
1957–58—September	114.0	114.4	112.8	111.9	114.0	116.7	113.9
December	113.9	114.2	113.7	111.6	113.0	116.9	113.7
March	115.0	114.2	115.0	111.5	113.2	117.1	114.3
June	115.1	114.6	115.9	112.7	114.1	117.3	114.8
1958–59—September	114.8	114.9	116.7	113.5	114.4	117.7	114.9
December	115.2	116.4	117.9	114.2	114.3	118.7	115.8
March	115.5	117.1	119.0	115.0	114.7	119.1	116.3
June	115.8	117.9	119.1	115.3	115.5	119.3	116.8
1959-60—September	116.3	118.2	120.2	116.3	115.9	119.7	117.3
December	117.2	118.8	120.8	116.9	115.7	120.1	118.0
March	118.2	119.8	121.6	118.3	117.1	120.8	119.0
June	119.6	123.0	122.3	120.6	119.0	122.6	121.1
1960-61—September	120.8	124.9	123.6	121.5	119.8	125.8	122.5
December	121.6	125.5	125.1	122.4	120.8	127.1	123.3
March	122.5	126.1	126.7	123.4	121.9	128.3	124.2
June	123.4	127.1	126.1	124.3	122.4	128.9	125.0
1961-62—September	123.1	126.8	127.0	123.5	121.7	129.1	124.8
December	122.5	126.5	127.1	122.5	121.3	128.3	124.3
March	122.4	125.9	127.7	122.1	121.5	127.5	124.1
June	122.3	125.9	127.3	121.9	121.8	127.5	124.0
1962-63—September	122.7	126.2	127.5	121.9	122 .1	127.6	124.3
December	123.2	126.2	127.6	121.9	121 .7	128.2	124.4
March	123.3	126.0	127.8	121.9	122 .3	128.0	124.5
June	123.7	126.4	127.9	122.5	122 .8	128.2	124.9
1963–64—September	123.7	126.7	128.4	122.8	122 7	128.8	125.1
December	123.9	126.4	128.2	122.7	123.1	129.0	125.0

SHARE PRICE INDEX

This index relates to ordinary shares of the principal companies (excluding banks) listed on the Sydney Stock Exchange, whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. Adjustments are made for changes in the capital structure of the companies. The total index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of thirty-four miscellaneous shares.

INDEX OF PRICES OF SHARES ON SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE (Base of each Index: Average of 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)(a)

Per	riod.	Twenty-three Manufacturing and Distributing Companies.	Ten Retail Companies.	Four Pastoral and Finance Companies.	Four Insurance Companies.	Total Seventy-five Companies.	Thirty-four Active Shares included in foregoing.
1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59 1959–60 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63		1,784 1,943 2,038 2,031 2,188 2,411 3,188 3,223 3,359 3,278	1,534 1,885 2,178 1,960 1,972 2,002 2,702 2,866 2,872 3,021	1,385 1,555 1,751 1,807 1,886 1,597 2,382 2,095 1,915 2,050	2,217 2,184 2,142 2,489 2,827 3,117 4,245 4,888 5,620 5,922	1,475 1,626 1,726 1,707 1,836 1,966 2,718 2,787 2,949 2,988	1,443 1,598 1,649 1,653 1,803 1,978 2,743 2,855 2,932 2,943
November December January February March April May June		 3,230 3,211 3,349 3,536 3,559 3,513 3,549 3,412	2,768 2,765 2,879 3,030 3,045 3,056 3,028 2,861	1,778 1,829 1,889 1,954 2,085 2,061 2,044 2,018	5,493 5,416 5,531 5,659 5,694 5,670 6,440 6,408	2,857 2,857 2,969 3,122 3,113 3,072 3,143 3,037	2,864 2,839 2,914 3,046 3,046 3,005 3,078 2,946
July August September October November December January February March April May June		3,394 3,339 3,211 3,181 3,240 3,255 3,370 3,356 3,242 3,245 3,255 3,245	2,841 2,866 2,840 2,922 2,960 2,961 3,073 3,146 3,157 3,158 3,168 3,156	1,968 1,976 1,901 1,938 2,052 2,067 2,100 2,115 2,105 2,128 2,117 2,131	6,130 6,164 5,851 5,770 5,902 5,863 5,988 5,999 5,861 5,856 5,841 5,833	3,030 3,011 2,907 2,908 2,952 2,948 3,035 3,056 3,000 2,992 3,004 3,020	2,944 2,927 2,836 2,850 2,884 2,896 3,002 3,016 2,954 2,960 3,014 3,035
July August September October November December		 3,367 3,496 3,479 3,427 3,437 3,614	3,182 3,273 3,261 3,183 3,094 3,197	2,212 2,299 2,296 2,239 2,478 2,599	5,831 6,086 6,340 6,432 6,424 6,240	3,104 3,220 3,222 3,173 3,170 3,254	3,101 3,207 3,202 3,147 3,159 3,251

WEEKLY WAGE RATES AND HOURS OF WORK: ADULT MALES

																Aust	tralia.
At end	d of—		Sou Wale	th	Victor	ria.	Queensla	and.	Sou Austr		West		Tasma	ania.	Rat	es.	Index Nos (Base 1954 =100.0).
		WEIGH	HTED	Ave	RAGE	Mn	NIMUM	WE	EKLY	Ra	TES OI	F W	AGE.(2)			9 4
Y			s.	d.	S.	d.	S.	d.	S.	d.	S.	d.	S.	d.	S.	d.	
June—			267	1	254	7	250	-	252	7	200	_	255	4	259	2	91.8
1952 1953			267	1	254	7 7	250	5	252 270	7	260 279	5	255 280	4 2	276	9	98.0
1054		• •	284 287	10	274 278	8	260 269	7	273	7	283	9	283	9	281	0	99.5
1055	• •	• •	298	2	290	7	278	1	284	4	292	5	292	0	291	6	103.2
1056		• •	311	10	305	9	292	2	295		305	3		11	305	7	103.2
1057			324	0	315	9	302 1		306	5	317	9	319	0	316	8	112.1
1050			329	7	319	1	1	9	312	0	319	6	322	11	321	7	113.9
1050		• •		3	330	8	326 1	-	328	0	327	2	333	3	332	9	117.8
1000			338	6		6	344	8	341	-	350	4	349	8	350		124.3
1960			356	_	349	7	7 7 7			4		5	352	1	357		124.3
1961	• •		366	İΙ	350	6	357	4	342	4	362	3	334	1	337	11	120.7
1961—																	
October			373	10	362	2	359	8	354	5	363	8	362	6	365	10	129.5
November			373	4	362	2	359	9	354	6	363	9	362	8	365	9	129.5
December	, .		373	5	362	2	359 1	10	354	7	363	9	362	8	365	9	129.5
1962—																	
January			373	4	363	3	359 1	10	354	7	363	11	362	8	366	1	129.6
February			372	10	363	3	359 1		354	8	363		362	8	365	10	129.5
March			372	9	363	4	359 1		354	8	363		362	8	365		129.5
April			372	9	363	5	359 1		354	8	363		362	8	365		129.6
May			372	10	363	5	359 1		354	8	363		362	8	365		129.6
June			372	9	363	5	359 1		355	3	363		362	8	365		129.6
July			372	9	363	5	359	8	355	3	364	1	362	9	365		129.6
August			372	7	363	5	359	8	355	4	364	1	362	10	365		129.5
September			372	6	363	5	359	8	355	4	364	3	363	2	365		129.5
October			372	9	363	7	359	8	355		364	5	363	6	366	0	129.6
November			373	7	363	7	359	8	356	4	364	5	364	7	366	5	129.7
December			373	7	363	7	359	8	356	6	365	8	364	7	366	6	129.8
963—																	
			272	0	262	8	250	0	256	7	365	8	364	10	366	7	129.8
January February		• •	373 374	8	363	8	359 359	9	356 356	8	365	8	364		366		129.9
				5	363	-	1 2 2	7	356	9	365	8	364		367	0	129.9
March			374	_	363	9	360	0		P*.			. 42		369	6	
April	, .		377	2	366		360 1		360	4	367	3	367				1
May			379			0	363	4	362	1	368	0	368	8	371	6	131.5
June	, .		380	0	368		366	3	362	4	369	3	369	2	372	4	131.8
July	1.1		380	3	370	5	368	6	362	9	371	8	371	4	373	5	132.2
August			381	0	370	7	369	2	362		373	4	371	8	374	0	132.4
September October			381 381	2	371 371	0	369 369	4	363 363	0	373 374	7	371 372	9 2	374 374	3 7	132.5 132.6
October	•••	•••	201	8	3/1	3	309	4	303	4	374	4	314	4	3/4	1	132.0
	V	VEIGHTEI	Avi	ERAG	E STA	ND	ARD W	EEK	LY H	OUR	S OF	Woi	RK.(b)				
October, 1963			39	.95	39.	97	39.9	98	39.	96	39.	89	39.	97	39	.96	100.0

⁽a) For a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. Rates shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. They do not measure the relative level of minimum wages as between States,

(b) Excluding rural, and shipping and stevedoring.

WEEKLY WAGE RATES: ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA(a)

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL WAGE RATES

	Comm	nonwealth	Awards,	etc.(b)	S	State Awa	rds, etc.(c)	All Aw	ards, etc.
At end of—	Basic Wage.(d)	Margin.	Load-ing.(f)	Total Wage	Basic Wage.	Margin.	Loading. (f) Total Wage.	Basic Margin. Wage. (e)	Load- Total ing.(f) Wage.
Service and province and the finisher control for a control of the service and		W	EIGHTEI	AVERAG	e Minimu	m Week	LY RATES OF WA	GE.(a)	
June— 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958 1959	s. d. 216 3 234 9 237 4 237 4 248 6 258 4 263 0 277 1 277 5	s. d. 38 6 39 0 39 2 52 1 53 0 54 3 54 5 55 1 69 9	s. d. 3 8 3 4 3 4 2 4 2 5 2 6 2 7 3 2	s. d. 258 5 277 1 279 10 291 9 303 10 315 0 319 11 334 9 350 4	s. d. 216 8 233 7 237 9 237 8 250 7 259 9 264 5 270 8 279 5	s. d. 37 5 38 11 40 0 48 9 51 6 53 3 54 8 55 6 67 3	s. d. s. d. 5 10 259 11 4 0 276 6 4 6 282 3 4 9 291 2 5 7 307 8 318 4 4 2 323 3 4 5 330 7 5 1 351 9	s. d. s. d. 216 6 38 0 234 2 38 11 237 6 39 7 237 6 50 6 249 5 52 4 259 0 53 9 263 8 54 7 274 0 55 3 278 5 68 5	s. d. s. d. 4 8 259 2 2 3 8 276 9 3 11 281 0 2 91 6 3 10 305 7 3 11 316 8 3 4 321 7 3 6 332 9 4 1 350 11
1961 1961— September October November December	278 8 289 9 289 9 289 9 289 9	70 5 70 6 70 7 70 7 70 8	3 7 3 7 3 7 3 6	363 10 363 11 363 11 363 11	293 11 293 9 293 5 293 5	68 7 68 9 68 9 68 10 68 11	5 6 363 7 5 5 368 1 5 5 367 11 5 4 367 7 5 3 367 7	283 11 69 5 291 9 69 8 291 8 69 8 291 6 69 9 291 6 69 10	4 7 357 11 4 7 366 0 4 6 365 10 4 6 365 9 4 5 365 9
January February	289 9 289 8 289 8 289 8 289 8 289 7 289 6 289 6 289 6 289 7 289 7	70 8 70 9 70 9 70 9 70 9 70 10 70 11 70 11 70 11 71 0 71 1 71 2	3 10 3 9 3 9 3 10 3 10 3 10 3 10 3 10 4 1 4 1 4 1	364 3 364 2 364 2 364 3 364 4 364 4 364 3 364 3 364 7 364 9 364 10	293 5 293 0 293 0 293 0 293 0 293 0 293 0 293 0 292 8 292 8 292 8 293 0 293 1	68 11 68 11 68 11 69 0 69 1 69 0 69 0 69 0 69 0 69 1 69 3 69 4	5 6 367 10 5 6 367 5 5 6 367 5 5 5 367 5 5 6 367 7 5 5 367 6 5 6 367 6 5 9 367 5 5 9 367 5 5 9 367 6 5 11 368 2 5 11 368 4	291 6 69 11 291 3 69 11 291 3 70 0 291 1 70 0 291 3 70 2 291 3 70 3	4 8 366 1 4 8 365 10 4 7 365 10 4 8 365 11 4 8 365 11 4 8 365 11 4 8 365 11 4 9 365 10 4 9 365 10 4 11 366 0 5 0 366 5 5 0 366 6
January February March April May June July August September October	289 7 289 8 289 8 289 8 289 9 289 9 289 9 289 10 289 10 289 10	71 2 71 3 71 4 75 9 77 9 77 11 77 11 77 11 78 0 78 4	4 1 4 1 4 1 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2 4 2	364 10 365 0 365 1 369 7 371 8 371 10 371 10 371 11 372 0 372 4	293 1 293 5 293 5 293 7 294 5 294 5 294 7 295 0 295 0	69 5 69 6 69 6 69 9 70 10 72 4 74 3 74 7 74 10 75 3	6 0 368 6 5 11 368 10 6 1 369 0 6 1 369 5 6 1 371 4 6 1 372 10 6 4 375 2 6 9 376 4 6 9 377 0	291 3 70 3 291 6 70 4 291 6 70 5 291 7 72 10 292 0 74 5 292 0 75 3 292 1 76 2 292 4 76 4 292 4 76 6 292 4 76 10	5 1 366 7 5 1 366 11 5 1 367 0 5 1 369 6 5 1 371 6 5 1 372 4 5 2 373 5 5 4 374 0 5 5 374 3 5 5 374 7

(a) Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements. Excludes rural. (b) Awards of, or agreements registered with, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, and determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator. (c) Awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals, and certain unregistered agreements. (d) Because of differences in the coverage and the method of weighting, these rates differ from the "Six Capitals" Commonwealth basic wage rates shown on page 29. (e) Margins are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage, prescribed in awards, etc., as payable to particular classifications for skill, experience, arduousness and other like factors. (f) Loadings are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage and margin (if any), awarded for various kinds of disabilities associated with the performance of work, or to meet particular circumstances. They include payments such as industry loadings and other general loadings prescribed in awards, etc., for the occupations included in the Minimum Wage Rate Index.

BASIC WAGES: WEEKLY RATES, ADULT MALES

Date.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals
		Commonwea	LTH BASIC	WAGE. (a)			
1948—November 1949—November 1950—November December 1951—November 1952—November 1953—February May August 1956—June 1957—15th May	s. d. 112 0 122 0 132 0 146 0 165 0 207 0 237 0 238 0 241 0 243 0 253 0	s. d. 109 0 120 0 130 0 143 0 162 0 199 0 228 0 229 0 232 0 235 0 245 0 255 0	s. d. 105 0 115 0 125 0 135 0 154 0 185 0 216 0 217 0 218 0 228 0 238 0	s. d. 106 0 116 0 126 0 137 0 158 0 195 0 229 0 225 0 228 0 231 0 241 0 251 0	s. d. 106 0 116 0 129 0 139 0 160 0 197 0 228 0 229 0 231 0 236 0 246 0 256 0	s. d. 107 0 118 0 128 0 139 0 160 0 199 0 230 0 232 0 239 0 242 0 252 0 262 0	s. d. 109 0 119 0 129 0 142 0 162 0 200 0 231 0 231 0 234 0 236 0 246 0 256 0
1959—11th June	268 0 283 0 295 0	260 0 275 0 287 0	243 0 258 0 270 0	256 0 271 0 283 0	261 0 276 0 288 0	267 0 282 0 294 0	261 0 276 0 288 0
		Stati	E BASIC WA	GE.			
1959—March June September December 1960—March June September December 1961—March June September December 1962—March June September 1963—March June September	(b) 273 275 276 277 279 283 285 288 294 297 299 302 301 300 299 300 301 300 301 300 301 302 301 302 303	s. d. (c) 263 0 263 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 275 0 287 0 28	s. d. (d) 256 0 260 0 263 0 263 0 267 0 269 0 271 0 273 0 276 0 280 0 284 0	s. d. (e) 256 0 256 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 271 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0 283 0	s. d. (f) 273 5 273 5 275 1 278 7 281 6 281 6 286 4 292 3 294 7 296 7 299 3 300 6 298 9 298 6	s. d. (c) 272 0 272 0 272 0 272 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 282 0 284 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0 294 0	

⁽a) Automatic adjustment in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers discontinued as from 12th September, 1953. Rates operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing in month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustments operative. Rates payable from beginning of first pay-period in month prior to that shown. (c) Automatic adjustments discontinued. Commonwealth rates adopted during 1959. (d) Determined by State industrial tribunal—to March, 1961, after considering retail price index numbers; thereafter, only after a full inquiry. (e) Rates same as Commonwealth basic wage rates. (f) Determined each quarter by State industrial tribunal, after considering retail price index numbers. (g) During July and August, 1961, Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate. (h) Payable from 6th May, 1963. (i) 10th July, 1961. (j) Payable from 29th July, 1963. (k) Most Wages Boards adopted the Commonwealth basic wage rate from July, 1961.

AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS(a)

The following figures are derived from employment and wages and salaries recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the Defence Forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly earnings is published on page 2. The figures are subject to revision.

Period.	New South Wales.(b)	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.(c)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia
	AVERAGE WEE	KLY TOTAL	WAGES AND	SALARIES PA	AID (£'000).		
1957–58	21,664	15,510	6,585	4,635	3,284	1,671	53,349
1958–59	22,414	16,240	6,970	4,823	3,347	1,725	55,51
1959–60	24,816	18,123	7,441	5,392	3,618	1,878	61,26
1960–61	26,823	19,204	7,819	5,661	3,886	1,969	65,36
1961–62	27,335	19,552	7,940	5,844	4,044	2,040	66,75
960-61-							
December Quarter	28,276	20,204	8,188	5,868	4,003	2,002	68,54
March ,,	25,649	18,518	7,271	5,497	3,691	1,945	62,57
Torres	27,073	19,065	7,840	5,639	3,972	2,040	65,62
1961-62-				,		_,	,
September ,,	26,351	18,975	8,009	5,671	3,964	1,919	64,88
December	28,489	20,169	8,156	5,973	4,111	2,052	68,95
Manala	26,137	19,024	7,451	5,701	3,937	2,021	64,27
T	28,364	20,040	8,143	6,032	4,163	2,170	68,91
1962–63––		20,0.0	0,110	0,032	1,105	2,170	00,71
September ,,	27,569	19,849	8,318	6,001	4,193	2,007	67,93
Danamban	29,834	21,053	8,623	6,319	4,348	2,066	72,24
Manala	27,302	20,120	7,746	5,994	4,103	2,040	67,30
	Average Week	LY EARNING	GS PER EMPL	OYED MALE	UNIT (£).(a	d)	
1957–58	20.44	20.22	17.94	18.68	18.05	18.95	19.6
1958–59	21.04	20.69	18.63	19.10	18.19	19.33	20.1
959–60	22.77	22.28	19.89	20.61	19.46	20.71	21.7
1960–61	. 24.03	23.32	21.00	21.33	20.57	21.42	22.8
1961–62	24.51	23.96	21.79	21.96	21.27	22.43	23.4
1960–61—							
	25.14	24.42	21.88	22.05	21.07	21.78	23.8
March ,,	22.86	22.29	19.76	20.64	19.56	21.00	21.8
June ,,	24.48	23.34	21.33	21.32	21.10	22.18	23.1
1961-62							
September ,,	23.94	23.52	21.79	21.58	21.06	21.22	23.0
D 1	25.60	24.78	22.65	22.47	21.72	22.57	24.3
	23.30	23.13	20.65	21.30	20.64	21.92	22.5
March ,,	25 10	24.43	22.07	22.47	21.67	23.50	24.0
Tues	40,10		,		21.07	20.00	21.0
June ,, 962–63—							
June ,, 1962–63— September ,,	24.46	24.18	22.27	22.22	21.78	22.01	23.6
June " 962–63— September "		24.18 25.38 23.93	22.27 23.37 21.05	22.22 23.27 21.88	21.78 22.40 21.04	22.01 22.50 21.85	23.6 24.9 23.0

⁽a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, etc. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) Total wages and salaries, etc. divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. As it is not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States, the same ratio has been used for each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

Note.—Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

BUILDING APPROVALS(a): AUSTRALIA

			Houses a	nd Flats.			Oth New Bu			ions (b)	
Period.	Priv (c		Govern		То	tal.	Private.	Govern- ment. (c)	Private.	Govern- ment. (c)	Total.
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Va	lue.	Va	lue.	Value.
Monthly		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Average—											
1954–55	5,622	15,408	1,563	3,700	7,185	19,108	6,301	3,507	3,849	537	33,302
1955–56	5,268	15,367	1,047	2,633	6,315	18,000	8,169	4,986	4,179	806	36,140
1956-57	5,189	15,342	1,122	2,862	6,311	18,204	6,564	3,251	3,991	831	32,841
1957–58	5,846	17,606	1,181	3,173	7,027	20,779	7,193	4,007	4,374	789	37,142
1958–59	6,308	19,108	1,190	3,188	7,498	22,296	8,639	4,503	4,906	970	41,314
1959–60	7,587	23,581	1,066	3,031	8,653	26,612	11,251	5,673	5,827	947	50,310
1960–61	6,446	21,324	1,355	3,709	7,801	25,033	11,947	6,666	5,752	781	50,179
1961–62	5,886	19,941	1,180	3,333	7,066	23,274	11,372	7,676	5,789	720	48,831
1962–63	6,623	22,862	1,243	3,502	7,866	26,364	12,463	8,844	6,522	655	54,848
Monthly Total—			-								
1961-62-											
November	6,394	21,485	1,014	3,045	7,408	24,530	15,142	7,650	6,530	356	54,208
December	4,397	14,721	1,531	4,319	5,928	19,040	9,854	6,881	4,020	202	39,997
January	4,842	16,360	517	1,604	5,359	17,964	8,295	6,548	4,682	1,148	38,637
February	5,551	18,855	921	2,536	6,472	21,391	11,693	6,115	5,178	457	44,834
March	6,474	21,870	1,005	2,836	7,479	24,706	11,908	9,313	7,041	907	53,875
April	5,781	19,465	1,443	4,011	7,224	23,476	11,525	8,514	5,418	583	49,516
May	6,723	22,964	1,772	4,541	8,495	27,505	15,663	5,220	6,344	908	55,640
June	6,094	20,838	1,404	3,909	7,498	24,747	8,873	7,585	5,513	1,287	48,005
w 4	7,167	24,542	1,106	3,018	8,273	27,560	16,610	10,995	6,627	746	62,538
July August	7,338	25,917	920	2,532	8,258	28,449	14,844	4,699	7,426	386	55,804
September	6,631	22,759	2,354	5,361	8,985	28,120	9,977	9,827	7,580	944	56,448
October	7,076	24,197	1,200	3,361	8,276	27,558	14,745	7,942	7,850	566	58,661
November	6,697	22,974	1,187	3,507	7,884	26,481	11,964	8,831	6,739	597	54,612
December	4,780	16,684	694	2,003	5,474	18,687	10,829	5,096	4,881	818	40,311
January	5,457	19,109	468	1,334	5,925	20,443	11,438	13,055	5,052	675	50,663
February	6,208	21,248	1,209	3,595	7,417	24,843	9,365	6,492	5,454	553	46,707
March	6,807	23,231	1,140	3,310	7,947	26,541	11,997	7,052	6,167	705	52,462
4 **	6,594	22,723	1,703	5,428	8,297	28,151	11,416	11,240	6,548	417	57,772
April May	7,867	27,441	1,319	3,870	9,186	31,311	13,864	11,517	7,446	641	64,779
June	6,852	23,517	1,615	4,705	8,467	28,222	12,502	9,384	6,492	818	57,418
1963–64—	0,004	,011	1,015	1,,			,_,			0.10	
July	7,656	27,041	1,809	5,674	9,465	32,715	12,491	7,245	7,104	533	60,088
August	8,120	28,524	1,421	4,159	9,541	32,683	15,645	10,630	7,456	679	67,093
September	8,161	28,711	2,123	6,314	10,284	35,025	15,265	13,607	6,542	555	70,994
October	8,758	29,937	1,264	3,764	10,022	33,701	13,191	11,628	8,258	523	67,301
November	8,123	28,759	1,133	3,232	9,256	31,991	13,938	6,322	7,180	749	60,180
December	6,518	22,661	1,411	4,197	7,929	26,858	10,170	8,874	5,498	497	51,897

⁽a) Includes permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorized by government authorities.

(b) In all States, except New South Wales, additions of £5,000 and over are included with new buildings.

(c) Building is classified as "Government" or "Private" according to ownership.

(d) Number of individual living units.

BUILDING APPROVALS

VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING APPROVED(a)

(Including alterations and additions.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
Monthly Average—									
1954–55	12,093	9,506	3,537	3,266	3,103	1.044	172	501	22,202
1955–56	13,529	11.065	3,879	3,862	2,250	1,033	172	581	33,302
1956–57	110=0	9,748	3,851	3,025	2,250	1,033	154	368	36,140
1957–58	13,332	11,414	4,414	3,584	2,334	1,112	108	506	32,841
1958–59	15,426	12,623	4,542	3,911	2,354	1,112	202 219	750	37,142
1959–60	19,488	14,993	5,455	4,428	2,889	1,631		1.086	41,314
1960–61	18,773	13,825	6,118	5,568	3,006	1,031	312 249	1,114	50,310
1961–62	18,785	13,137	5,377	4,699	3,319	1,575	329	1,368	50,179
1962–63	20,454	15,370	6,103	5,395	3,586	1,559	403	1,610 1,978	48,831 54,848
Monthly Total— 1961–62—				-,	3,000	1,000	403	1,570	57,070
November	21,886	13,603	5,021	6,592	3,160	1,150	20.1	0.505	54.000
December	15,062	10,653	4,697	3,559	3,373	1,130	291	2,505	54,208
January	17,184	10,740	3,587	2,718	2,203	1,159	167 325	1,012 721	39,997 38,637
February	13,662	13,664	5,165	6,117	2,929	1,428	332	1,537	44,834
March	19,280	13,511	6,920	4,186	3,545	2,557	459	3,417	53,875
April	20,637	14,024	5,569	4,381	2,752	897	207	1,049	49,516
May	17,970	17,114	6,471	6,541	3,585	1,477	315	2,167	55,640
June	16,140	14,410	6,531	4,171	3,451	1,286	481	1,535	48,005
1962–63—									
July	26,078	16,326	6,572	6,523	4,359	1.556	72	1,052	62,538
August	19,784	17,652	6,408	4,647	3,779	1,685	429	1,420	55,804
September	21,246	15,991	5,039	8,372	3,172	1,378	301	949	56,448
October	21,401	16,818	6,182	6,860	4,017	1,373	439	1,571	58,661
November	22,780	14,483	5,116	4,358	2,781	1,289	352	3,453	54,612
December	16,383	11,321	4,083	3,117	2,886	1,117	470	934	40,311
January	22,968	11,523	5,970	4,177	2,596	1,380	113	1,936	50,663
February	15,283	13,515	5,913	4,289	3,257	1,449	870	2,131	46,707
March	16,008	16,156	7,011	5,611	4,262	1,701	278	1,435	52,462
April	19,276	17,694	6,921	4,589	4,032	2,188	224	2,848	57,772
May	21,942	20,144	7,912	5,155	4,051	1,906	435	3,234	64,779
June	22,294	12,822	6,111	7,042	3,842	1,685	847	2,775	57,418
1963-64									
July	20,911	15,721	7,146	8,164	4,056	1,290	455	2,345	60,088
August	28,431	15,488	8,016	4,413	7,304	1,666	278	1,497	67,093
September	25,741	19,561	10,437	6,507	5,656	1,339	568	1,185	70,994
October	22,468	18,694	7,274	7,975	7,751	1,621	216	1,302	67,301
November	22,318	15,746	7,816	6,935	3,653	1,279	583	1,850	60,180
December	17,852	13,185	6,637	6,608	5,027	1,139	446	1,003	51,897

(a) See note (a) page 31.

BUILDING APPROVALS

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED(a)

(Individual living units.)

								1	
Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
Monthly Average—									
1954–55	2,490	2,013	838	752	751	234	27	80	7,185
1955–56	2,127	1,881	809	678	518	222	24	56	6,315
1956–57	2,309	1,760	825	584	525	229	14	65	6,311
1957–58	2,505	2,008	907	780	482	212	27	106	7,027
1958–59	2,929	2,066	952	708	455	219	31	138	7,498
1959-60	3,484	2,422	1,039	777	537	228	37	129	8,653
1960-61	3,058	1,966	993	892	510	202	32	148	7,801
1961-62	2,720	1,784	896	711	574	220	39	122	7,066
1962–63	2,892	2,169	869	898	622	220	35	161	7,866
Monthly Total—									
1961-62									
November	2,861	1,848	865	784	684	228	45	93	7,408
December	2,204	1,616	619	591	572	211	30	85	5,928
January	2,234	1,217	684	484	426	149	42	123	5,359
February	2,121	1,857	828	675	660	183	81	67	6,472
March	2,733	1,966	973	629	722	293	60	103	7,479
April	3,199	1,614	901	670	494	200	24	122 239	7,224
May June	3,131 2,711	2,013 2,077	940 1,222	1,300 602	603 486	238 215	31 43	142	8,495 7,498
	2,711	2,077	I g had had had	002	100				,,,,,
1962–63—	2 211	2.200	000	763	616	237	10	232	0 272
July	3,211	2,306	898 960	802	592	210	70	198	8,273 8,258
August	3,318	2,108	786	2,239	583	234	23	143	8,985
September	2,862	2,115 2,639	948	695	765	222	93	85	8,276
October	2,829	2,639	852	690	489	229	23	221	7,884
D 1	2,963 2,137	1,602	604	447	428	141	28	87	5,474
T	2,137	1,552	658	561	489	202	6	102	5,925
T 1	2,734	1,938	938	681	602	229	39	256	7,417
March	2,720	2,191	1.091	730	682	303	29	201	7,947
April	3.059	2,623	828	741	735	183	21	107	8,297
May	3,400	2,581	997	969	755	258	32	194	9,186
June	3,112	1,950	868	1,458	730	196	49	104	8,467
1963–64—									
July	3,108	2,390	1.001	1,690	716	206	112	242	9,465
August	3,607	2,473	1,333	799	875	222	49	183	9,541
September	3,995	2,913	1,125	998	854	253	47	99	10,284
October	3,464	3,056	1,119	835	1,000	298	17	233	10,022
November	3,884	2,490	962	808	680	255	41	136	9,256
December	2,962	2,233	843	925	628	210	31	97	7,929

(a) See note (a), page 31.

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS: AUSTRALIA

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.) (£'000.)

			Commenced.			Completed.		Under Construction at end of period.			
Period.		Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total,	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	Houses and Flats.	Other.	Total.	
Quarterly Average											
1958–59		63,698	44,395	108,093	65,919	45,074	110,993	159,682	193,771	353,453	
1959–60		73,164	57,814	130,978	71,371	50,415	121,786	170,924	227,532	398,456	
1960–61		74,801	63,204	138,005	78,429	60,276	138,705	160,839	246,344	407,183	
1961–62		70,023	65,934	135,957	74,146	59,257	133,403	148,418	281,386	429,804	
1962–63		76,506	67,377	143,883	76,277	67,188	143,465	152,436	290,745	443,181	
Quarterly Total-											
1960-61-											
Mar. Qtr.		67,307	57,911	125,218	73,790	63,747	137,537	171,417	246,124	417,541	
June "		64,361	59,898	124,259	75,753	61,376	137,129	160,839	246,344	407,183	
1961-62-						1 1	0.17	5 77	,	.6.3184	
Sept. "		72,378	62,276	134,654	73,932	57,363	131,295	160,349	252,874	413,223	
Dec. ,,		65,031	61,550	126,581	77,559	66,609	144,168	148,802	250,112	398,914	
Mar. "		69,701	67,009	136,710	69,177	55,744	124,921	150,199	262,994	413,193	
June "		72,981	72,900	145,881	75,917	57,310	133,227	148,418	281,386	429,804	
1962–63—											
Sept. ,,		78,719	64,036	142,755	72,537	64,496	137,033	155,290	285,406	440,696	
Dec. "		75,138	66,951	142,089	81,643	63,067	144,710	149,317	291,903	441,220	
Mar. "		72,955	66,673	139,628	71,029	66,895	137,924	152,487	292,923	445,410	
June "		79,210	71,850	151,060	79,899	74,294	154,193	152,436	290,745	443,181	
1963–64—						-					
Sept. ,,		r94,110	78,019	r172,129	79,442	65,004	144,446	r167,489	304,840	r472,329	

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

(Including Estimated Value of Owner-built Houses.)
(£'000.)

					(£'000.)					
Period.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
Quarterly Average-		2.10		1 (4)						
1958–59		39,960	34,359	11,250	11,099	7,566	3,362	647	2,750	110,993
1959–60		44,436	37,041	12,551	11,910	7,530	3,951	640	3,727	121,786
1960–61		52,297	40,788	14,826	13,467	9,006	4,253	779	3,289	138,705
1961–62		52,011	37,044	13,763	13,079	8,509	4,182	876	3,939	133,403
1962–63		51,598	41,696	14,087	15,140	10,804	4,266	1,109	4,765	143,465
Quarterly Total— 1960-61—										
Mar. Qtr.		54,369	40,196	14,976	12,373	8,479	3,894	729	2,521	137,537
June ,, 1961–62—	• •	55,119	37,850	12,669	13,335	8,132	5,356	1,166	3,502	137,129
Sept. ,,		49,314	40,881	14,132	11,405	7,134	4,125	728	3,576	131,295
Dec. ,,		56,839	39,237	14,073	14,679	9,199	4,474	743	4,924	144,168
Mar. ,,		48,425	33,796	13,824	11,712	7,689	4,468	990	4,017	124,921
June ,, 1962–63—		53,465	34,261	13,025	14,519	10,014	3,660	1,042	3,241	133,227
Sept. "		46,300	43,187	14,642	11,959	12,739	4,244	992	2,970	137,033
Dec. ,,		50,725	40,429	13,278	19,094	11,547	3,847	1,413	4,377	144,710
Mar. ,,		54,148	36,443	12,634	13,314	9,503	4,041	799	7,042	137,924
June ,, 1963–64—		55,220	46,725	15,793	16,193	9,425	4,932	1,232	4,673	154,193
Sept. ,,		51,304	41,518	14,061	13,747	11,006	4,147	1,328	7,335	144,446

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS(a) (Including Owner-built Houses.)

		()	including O	WHCI-DUIL	110400000				
Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
	1		Co	MMENCED					
Quarterly Average—					1				1
	7,372	6,067	2,222	2,219	1,368	692	83	399	20,422
1958–59		6,681	2,570	2,431	1,565	635	106	395	22,836
1959–60	8,453	5,797	2,588	2,460	1,512	594	104	359	22,222
1960–61	8,808				1,702	660	122	404	20,617
1961–62	7,571	5,385	2,439	2,334		642	95	464	22,067
1962–63	7,969	6,118	2,432	2,573	1,774	042	93	404	22,007
Quarterly Total—							117	276	01.547
1961-62-Sept. Qtr.	8,033	5,510	2,674	2,504	1,669	664	117	376	21,547
Dec. ,,	7,272	5,160	2,209	1,919	1,562	630	97	323	19,172
Mar. ,,	7,357	5,417	2,293	2,251	1,841	638	148	403	20,348
June "	7,623	5,453	2,578	2,660	1,737	709	127	516	21,403
1000 62 South	8,345	6,265	2,562	2,682	1,755	604	86	603	22,902
Dag	8,256	5,810	2,368	2,562	1,665	578	128	402	21,769
Man	7,425	5,951	2,166	2,480	1,605	689	100	433	20,849
**	7,849	6,447	2,630	2,569	2,073	696	68	417	22,749
June "			r2,950	3,497	2,427	606	94	534	r26,608
1963–64—Sept. "	9,240 8,952	7,260 7,512	2,605	2,805	2,051	642	173	509	25,249
Dec.p ,,	0,932	7,512		OMPLETED	_,				
Quarterly Average—	1								
1958-59	7,508	6,441	2,214	2,196	1,514	677	89	401	21,040
1959–60	8,352	6,555	2,481	2,395	1,565	668	85	404	22,505
1070 71	9,099	6,569	2,651	2,566	1,603	665	101	362	23,616
	8,087	5,760	2,517	2,432	1,587	638	99	446	21,566
1961–62	7,836	6,025	2,450	2,583	1,809	650	123	461	21,937
1962–63	7,030	0,023	2,150	_,,,,,					
Quarterly Total—								404	21.171
1961-62-Sept. Qtr.	8,168	5,777	2,505	2,325	1,549	591	75	481	21,471
Dec. "	8,381	5,978	2,609	2,709	1,723	622	108	486	22,616
Mar. ,,	7,619	5,285	2,356	1,964	1,384	643	111	426	19,788
June ,,	8,181	5,999	2,598	2,731	1,691	695	102	391	22,388
1060 62 5	7,591	5,499	2,401	2,490	1,917	642	122	397	21,059
D	8,512	6,493	2,601	2,678	1,979	694	133	451	23,541
Man	7,488	5,485	2,393	2,379	1,584	551	111	412	20,403
T	7,753	6,623	2,404	2,785	1,755	714	125	585	22,744
June ,,		6,016	2,641	2,798	1,875	609	88	577	22,362
1963–64—Sept. ,,	7,758 8,497	7,495	2,730	3,100	2,411	729	122	510	25,594
Dec. p ,,	0,497	/	R CONSTRU					1	
1958–59	18,103			5,603	3,527	2,088	177	1,394	52,159
	10 501	18,409	3,716	5,749	3,529	1,957	262	1,354	53,477
1959–60	17 226	15,321	3,464	5,325	3,167	1,672	274	1,342	47,901
1960–61	15 272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
1961–62		14,195	3,077	4,891	3,492	1,728	258	1,186	44,630
1962–63	15,803	14,193	3,077	7,001	3,472	1,720			
1961-62 — Sept Qtr.		15,054	3,633	5,504	3,287	1,745	316	1,237	47,977
Dec. "	16,092	14,236	3,233	4,714	3,126	1,753	305	1,074	44,533
Mar. "	15,830	14,368	3,170	5,001	3,583	1,748	342	1,051	45,093
June "	15,272	13,822	3,150	4,930	3,629	1,762	367	1,176	44,108
10.00 00 0	16,026	14,588	3,311	5,122	3,467	1,724	331	1,382	45,951
73	15,770	13,905	3,078	5,006	3,153	1,608	326	1,333	44,179
3.6	15,707	14,371	2,851	5,107	3,174	1,746	315	1,354	44,625
Mar. ,,		14,195	3,077	4,891	3,492	1,728	258	1,186	44,630
June ,,	15,803		r 3,386	5,590	4,044	1,725	264	1,143	r 48,876
1963–64 — Sept. ,,	17,285	15,439		5,295	3,684	1,638	315		48,531
Dec. p,,	17,740	15,456	3,261	0,495	reione of old				
(a) Individual living	units. Only	new flats ar	e included, 1.	e., the conve	1210112 01 010	oundings II	IN Hars ale (ATTITIONS L.II	arrea tot itata

(a) Individual living units. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. Figures for include "home units".

PRODUCTION OF COAL, ENERGY AND METALS

	Co	oal.		ight and wer.	I	on and S	eel.	Gold.	Ref	ined Meta	ls.(a)
Period.	Black.	Brown.	Gas made in Gas works.	Total Electric- ity Gen- erated.	Pig Iron.	Ingot Steel.	Tin- plate.	(Mine Production).	Lead.	Copper.	Zinc.
Monthly Average—	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	million therms.	million kWh.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	tons.	'000 fine oz.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59 1959–60 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63p	 1,619 1,613 1,586 1,643 1,697 1,705 1,769 1,912 2,036 2,025	728 806 865 898 906 1,020 1,175 1,310 1,394 1,481	17.8 18.4 18.9 19.6 20.0 20.4 21.4 22.0 22.2 22.4	1,142 1,267 1,390 1,524 1,650 1,767 1,933 2,068 2,204 2,434	152.2 155.7 159.2 174.8 190.3 191.1 221.3 250.2 281.7 283.3	176.4 184.1 193.4 231.2 253.1 267.0 293.3 312.3 339.6 355.5	3,398 6,433 7,315 8,982 8,915 17,512	92.6 90.0 86.0 88.5 90.3 91.7 90.6 89.6 p89.3 89.4	19,669 19,613 18,372 19,983 21,352 19,912 19,776 18,979 19,213 23,868	1,742 2,533 2,039 2,711 2,987 3,772 5,404 5,749 5,314 7,120	8,091 8,198 8,664 8,691 9,416 9,559 9,816 10,495 12,812 14,654
Monthly Total— 1961–62— November December January February March April May June	 2,292 1,646 1,223 r2,081 r2,268 r1,534 r2,183 r2,114	1,415 1,206 1,241 1,267 1,432 1,265 1,578 1,538	20.0 18.8 17.7 17.2 19.4 20.3 26.0 26.3	2,094 2,002 2,017 1,986 2,195 2,109 2,515 2,448	233.2 293.6 299.3 268.8 302.6 298.3 296.4 275.3	312.4 348.9 339.8 309.2 347.3 355.5 360.1	7,338 8,072 9,856 8,091 11,670 11,315 11,347 14,191	p 90.2 94.2 82.7 82.8 88.6 74.6 87.1 94.0	15,298 19,863 20,606 17,862 19,901 23,363 22,938 21,348	3,937 3,107 4,581 4,662 5,750 5,015 6,656 6,476	12,029 12,702 11,588 11,115 13,595 14,657 14,786 12,975
July August September October November December January February March April May June	 r2,321 r2,394 r2,058 r2,412 r2,325 1,557 1,364 1,976 2,018 r1,547 r2,290 r2,039	1,636 1,659 1,473 1,502 1,402 1,144 1,339 1,365 1,407 1,465 1,629 1,745	28.4 27.7 23.3 23.3 19.9 18.8 17.6 17.1 19.5 20.9 24.8 26.8	2,629 2,647 2,339 2,435 2,298 2,198 2,194 2,158 2,397 2,396 2,727 2,791	292.6 286.3 262.8 281.3 275.2 294.8 297.3 270.2 300.4 272.5 290.5 247.5	358.8 353.9 340.7 361.6 364.9 354.7 361.2 331.4 363.2 368.9 378.7 352.5	16,193 17,843 16,711 17,051 18,132 18,853 19,463 16,237 19,233 17,969 18,266 18,125	95.4 95.6 95.7 93.2 88.2 95.2 83.3 83.9 87.2 80.6 80.2 94.7	24,655 21,695 23,975 23,713 23,090 20,078 26,959 24,514 26,084 22,698 23,692 25,261	7,324 8,740 7,794 8,127 7,809 6,393 6,542 5,568 7,054 5,420 7,606 7,059	14,423 15,685 14,924 15,400 13,638 15,141 15,110 13,362 13,431 15,226 15,857 13,653
1963–64 p— July August September October November December	 r2,558 2,222 2,170 2,509 2,363 1,771	1,802 1,710 1,625 1,560 1,426	30.1 28.3 24.5 22.1 20.8	3,012 2,858 2,598 2,576 2,492	298.6 343.3 322.2 322.4 331.3 327.9	400.6 425.7 397.6 385.7 402.4	14,498 13,057 16,778 17,853 17,748 20,205	96.5 84.6 85.1 75.4 88.7	25,218 26,924 24,958 26,341 25,508 25,752	7,713 8,405 7,370 r9,810 6,515	17,456 15,585 13,515 15,397 15,241 15,943

⁽a) Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources. (b) Includes recovery from scrap. (c) Gold content of minerals produced in Australia. (d) Includes lead content of antimonial lead and of lead-silver bullion produced for export. (e) Refined slab; includes averages for twelve months ended May. (f) 1 Therm = 100,000 British Thermal Units. (g) Monthly

PRODUCTION OF BUILDING MATERIALS, BUILDING FITTINGS AND FLOOR COVERINGS

				Building l	Materials.				Bui	lding Fitti	ngs.	
Period.	Clay	Roofin	g Tiles.	Cement Building	Sawn Native	Port- land	Fibrous Plaster	Hard-	Baths— C.I.P.E. and	Wash Basins— C.I.P.E.	Sinks— Stainless	Floor Cover- ings.(b)
	Bricks.	Terra- cotta.	Cement.	Sheets.	Timber. (a)	Cement.	Sheets.	board.	Other Metal.	and Earthen- ware.	Steel.	
	Million.	'000.	'000.	'000 sq. yds.	Million sup. ft.	'000 tons.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	No.	No.	No.	'000 sq. yds.
Monthly Average—				5q. y as.	Sup. It.	tons.	(c)	oq. yas.				sq. yas
1953–54	66.8	5,315	3,721	2,173	116.7	142	1,349	1,416	8,137	10,297	13,176	936
1954–55	69.9	5,328	4,477	2,340	120.8	160	1,482	1,653	10,873	12,775	15,585	773
1955–56	70.0	5,396	4,482	2,223	120.8	170	1,510	1,885	9,927	11,766	13,832	827
1956–57	67.1	4,806	3,716	2,120	118.2	181	1,355	1,871	8,742	11,500	13,174	936
1957–58	73.2	4,911	4,122	2,169	115.9	191	1,458	2,036	9,476	12,648	14,740	984
1958–59	78.3	4,936	4,355	2,237	121.7 126.8	207	1,528	2,418 2,637	10,136	13,217 14,094	15,384 16,240	1,066 1,304
1959–60	85.8 88.4	4,739 4,599	4,741 4,388	2,536 2,462	118.3	238	1,550 1,431	2,590	9,719	13,700	16,240	1,141
1960–61 1961–62	82.9	4,171	4,435	2,270	109.8	232	1,278	2,379	9,171	13,327	14,285	1,087
1962–63 p	87.8	4,254	5,049	2,338	112.2	245	1,251	2,809	9,039	14,577	14,702	1,373
Monthly Total—												
1961-62-												
October	87.4	4,376	4,464	2,239	119.8	245	1,319	2,411	10,093	13,454	16,890	1,047
November	83.6	4,523	4,557	2,413	118.4	229	1,386	2,627	10,033	14,887	18,890	1,143
December January	64.7 54.9	3,370 2,867	3,487	1,826 1,569	99.1	207 176	1,021	1,709 1,693	6,672 6,970	12,527 9,013	13,981 9,391	982 583
January February	81.5	4,267	4,017	2,113	100.3	207	1,340	2,332	9,882	13,190	12,441	1,204
March	93.3	4,266	4,941	2,588	119.4	244	1,423	2,415	10,056	15,150	13,346	1,439
April	80.0	3,929	4,047	1,890	101.2	237	1,198	1,876	8,028	11,641	10,361	937
May	97.0	4,810	5,354	2,558	118.0	254	1,481	2,886	10,918	14,548	14,926	1,363
June	88.1	4,376	5,282	2,405	124.6	254	1,330	2,735	9,013	15,147	13,933	1,397
1962–63 p—	0.5 7			0.440	100 4	0.50	1 225	0.606	0.010	16.606	16 400	1 410
July	96.7	4,529	5,027	2,413	122.4	269	1,337	2,686	9,019	16,606	16,499 15,867	1,419
August September	95.9 89.7	4,813 4,383	4,964 4,791	2,334 2,997	121.2	254 247	1,362 1,254	2,877 2,637	9,226 8,963	15,864 15,811	13,675	1,447 1,558
October	98.6	5,071	5,692	2,559	126.9	262	1,395	2,820	12,275	15,663	16,104	1,598
November	97.4	4,316	5,665	2,542	128.3	268	1,396	3,035	11,317	16,724	16,975	1,629
December	70.0	3,528	3,975	2,068	108.0	216	1,008	2,445	7,698	11,760	11,784	1,196
January	62.2	2,836	3,843	1,501	81.9	158	951	2,157	6,709	10,152	10,066	775
February	86.1	4,162	5,067	2,376		232	1,244	2,795	9,298	13,997	13,732	1,273
March	89.2	4,080	5,945	2,432	111.1	273	1,332	3,080	9,056	14,623	15,733	1,418
April	86.4	4,201	4,875	2,006	94.4	245	1,232	2,871	8,546	14,508	14,577	1,222
May June	95.9 86.6	3,856 4,281	5,589 5,160	2,546 2,274	120.9 117.4	265 255	1,329 1,173	3,215 3,094	9,409 6,870	14,186 13,291	17,617 13,795	1,451 1,484
1963-64 p												
July	102.3	5,157	4,027	2,291	122.7	263	1,381	3,417	10,168	16,698	17,744	r1,450
August	104.3	4,599	6,283	2,572	132.3	291	1,330	3,357	10,345	13,965	16,709	r1,480
September	101.2	4,693	6,101	2,595	131.8	265	1,299	3,258	9,927	15,487	16,381	r1,685
October	115.1	5,169	6,908	2,632	r137.5	296	1,424	3,447	12,293	18,051	18,655	1,615
November	112.5	4,679	6,758	3,293	136.3	276	1,387	3,630	11,770	15,214	17,224	1,830

⁽a) Australian grown. Includes timber for sawn sleepers. Source (for 1961-62 and later periods): Commonwealth Forestry and Timber Bureau and Victorian Forests Commission. (b) Excludes underfelts and underlays. (c) From July, 1955, represents total production in all establishments and includes small quantities not previously recorded in some States.

PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, ELECTRIC MOTORS AND ENGINES

	Domes	stic Cookin	g Stoves.						Electric	Motors.	Internal
Period.	Solid Fuel.	Gas(a)— Upright or Elevated.	Electric— Fixed Ranges. (b)	Domestic Refriger- ators.	Domestic Clothes Washing Machines.	Radios and Radio- grams.	Television Sets.(c)	Room Air Con- ditioners. (d)	Under 1 h.p.	1 h.p. and over.	Combustion Engines— Petrol. (e)
Mandal	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.	'000.	No.
Monthly Average— 1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63 p	4,198 4,146 3,942 3,834 3,603 3,288 3,071 2,644 2,409 2,239	3,587 4,896 4,758 4,550 4,663 5,531 6,634 6,097 5,639 5,693	3,098 3,929 3,984 4,323 4,588 5,315 6,192 5,769 6,355 8,482	22,874 23,381 20,613 16,293 16,327 18,316 19,763 18,293 17,657	12,188 13,859 13,797 12,035 13,675 15,016 16,823 16,295 19,018	36,581 38,036 38,168 30,524 31,729 31,526 33,549 37,899 30,736	220 10,103 23,536 26,368 36,508 26,331 24,569	n.a. n.a. 169 282 390 1,061 3,339 5,602 2,423	77.5 93.6 87.9 74.9 88.8 105.9 131.9 145.9	3.6 5.0 5.1 4.7 5.1 5.8 8.5 9.3 6.8	1,973 3,801 8,382 15,042 15,527 24,186 24,326 15,348 16,933
	2,239	3,093	8,482	17,067	17,838	41,663	24,371	899	151.8	7.3	22,123
Monthly Total— 1961–62— October November December January February March April May June	2,396 2,109 1,705 1,416 1,791 2,394 2,255 3,254 2,832	7,571 7,367 5,590 3,977 5,269 5,358 4,917 5,134 4,996	6,907 7,476 5,633 3,892 6,371 7,770 6,723 8,290 7,262	23,606 27,874 19,955 16,143 16,958 16,300 11,065 14,539 13,999	19,228 20,942 15,106 13,486 17,904 21,357 16,919 24,321 21,173	37,777 45,977 34,290 20,279 29,144 30,652 24,677 29,607 30,499	18,234 19,190 15,521 12,972 21,150 27,588 27,144 41,860 38,755	4,472 4,807 3,618 3,110 2,101 1,498 992 817 995	156.0 172.3 129.0 114.0 137.4 142.3 109.9 150.5 145.0	6.6 7.6 5.9 5.5 6.3 6.8 5.7 8.2 7.3	39,088 31,688 13,642 11,789 18,326 13,696 7,678 4,501 10,490
July August September October November December January February March April May June	2,990 3,025 2,553 2,467 2,409 1,908 1,324 1,561 1,912 1,951 2,487 2,281	5,551 5,656 5,673 8,172 7,024 5,531 4,032 5,558 5,313 5,319 5,224 5,263	8,473 8,080 7,826 10,177 9,998 8,014 6,102 8,732 8,294 8,426 9,848 7,814	17,290 23,040 21,682 27,307 23,593 15,537 14,233 13,832 13,054 9,706 12,822 12,709	20,407 21,346 19,784 19,244 17,857 13,061 12,318 15,413 18,359 15,620 21,252 19,390	31,013 37,889 41,879 50,403 70,711 53,599 36,589 42,161 43,093 32,243 33,783 26,588	37,387 31,218 21,231 23,567 25,510 18,139 15,708 20,644 24,644 22,354 29,137 22,914	688 558 1,248 1,363 1,541 1,199 1,160 1,212 536 492 423 362	142.4 157.3 174.8 178.9 190.1 124.1 107.9 134.2 153.2 132.4 175.1 151.3	5.7 7.8 6.3 7.7 9.0 6.3 5.0 8.2 8.4 7.0 9.5 6.7	18,102 23,887 34,848 39,924 31,977 22,585 20,564 22,669 16,225 11,516 9,804 13,270
July August September October November	3,088 2,974 2,869 2,862 2,349	6,989 7,058 8,193 8,855 7,189	9,865 9,401 10,138 11,550 10,640	16,909 19,867 21,203 23,843 21,924	21,214 19,712 21,209 20,156 18,530	34,308 35,576 39,076 53,638 68,119	25,621 25,097 24,081 23,496 20,159	255 336 312 863 870	168.5 162.2 176.5 199.5 r192.2	9.8 11.5 10.7 10.2 9.8	18,056 24,565 30,304 33,318 31,125

⁽a) Town or liquefied petroleum gas stoves or ranges with oven. (b) Having at least one hot plate and at least one oven separately heated with a total rating in excess of ten amperes but not more than fifteen kilowatts. With radio and/or record player. (c) Includes package unit air conditioners. (e) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor, aero, etc. and marine engines.

PRODUCTION OF FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO

					iry Produ ory Produ		N	Meat (carca	ass weight	i).		Tobacco
Period.	Wheaten Flour.	Refined Sugar. (a)	Whole Milk for all Pur- poses.	Butter.	Cheese.	Pro- cessed Full Cream Milk Products.	Beef and Veal.	Mutton.	Lamb.	Pigmeat.	Beer. (b)	Cigars and Cigar- ettes. (c)
	'000 short	'000 tons.	Million gals.	Tons.	Tons.	'000 gāls.(d)	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 tons.	'000 gals.	'000 lb.
Monthly Average— 1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59 1959–60 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63 p	tons. 134.1 129.4 130.9 136.0 110.1 113.9 125.6 130.3 p126.1 120.5	37.4 40.1 40.2 40.0 41.1 43.2 45.0 43.7 46.1 47.0	99.1 110.5 116.8 113.2 105.4 114.2 117.2 111.6 120.3 123.4	13,009 15,667 17,149 15,820 14,410 15,910 16,251 14,934 16,438 16,773	4,087 3,765 3,223 3,764 2,991 3,619 3,730 3,900 4,623 4,825	6,333 5,363 5,944 6,510 6,655 6,756 6,886 6,385 6,502 7,367	58.7 60.0 62.6 67.9 66.0 75.5 62.6 52.7 65.9 75.4	19.8 20.0 19.5 18.7 22.5 25.9 30.9 30.6 30.7 30.5	10.6 12.3 12.1 11.9 12.6 15.2 16.9 17.2 18.2	7.0 8.3 7.8 7.4 8.5 8.5 8.4 9.0 10.0 9.6	17,380 18,473 18,958 18,394 18,871 18,633 19,306 19,701 p20,624 21,337	3,706 3,842 4,129 4,255 4,371 4,563 4,853
Monthly Total— 1961–62— November . December . January . February . March . April . May . June . 1962–63 p— July . August . September .	p 128.6 103.8 123.0 132.3 131.6 99.4 142.8 124.5	38.8 49.0 46.0 47.0 51.2 p41.7 p46.7 p38.9 43.7 50.7 50.1	177.8 168.9 151.0 118.1 103.6 80.5 68.8 64.9 81.6 114.7 141.1	26,848 25,529 22,483 16,612 13,597 9,555 7,041 6,209 8,974 14,721 19,358	7,347 6,463 5,433 3,965 3,206 2,403 2,200 2,435 3,327 5,160 6,606	10,029 9,394 7,899 5,869 4,828 3,479 3,128 3,069 4,474 7,181 9,481	59.9 54.7 59.9 59.8 67.3 61.7 83.4 85.9 82.3 87.2 77.2	35.4 32.3 32.2 32.2 33.9 27.0 31.5 25.0 26.1 27.3 30.4	22.6 18.6 17.7 16.4 17.1 15.5 17.4 15.5	11.0 10.3 9.3 9.6 10.6 9.8 11.5 9.4 9.5 10.3 9.1	p 25,577 24,849 22,004 18,651 20,732 19,156 19,874 15,920 18,685 20,392 20,281	4,388 4,536 4,465 4,359 4,802 4,315 4,588 5,146 3,816
October November December January February March April May June	128.5 123.2 100.2 117.4 120.2 127.7 109.3 130.7 113.7	54.2 63.4 39.3 43.8 42.2 49.7 39.4 46.0 41.0	178.3 174.1 166.8 155.5 128.5 110.0 90.3 72.6 66.8	r26,214 25,681 24,638 22,999 18,177 14,495 11,312 7,919 r6,785	7,854 7,454 6,676 5,754 4,499 3,535 2,640 2,059 2,335	11,470 11,058 10,651 9,022 7,612 6,280 4,761 3,359 3,052	70.7 72.3 61.4 64.9 67.6 75.5 68.6 88.9 87.8	33.9 35.6 31.9 33.3 31.2 31.4 27.9 31.7 25.0	27.1 25.5 22.0 18.3 16.3 16.8 16.9 17.7 15.5	10.9 10.8 9.9 8.4 9.6 9.7 9.3 10.2 8.1	25,268 24,748 26,028 23,317 20,051 21,239 21,188 19,398 15,451	5,214 5,079 4,669 4,561 4,332 4,446 4,658 5,051 4,188
1963–64 p— July August September October November December	136.8 129.5 122.8 151.9 151.3	47.0 45.9 49.5 54.2 53.6 48.7	83.2 111.5 143.2 177.2 180.6	9,338 14,168 19,941 26,146 27,073	3,134 4,816 6,384 7,662 7,181	4,550 7,051 9,032 10,740 11,260	95.1 87.6 81.0 79.3 72.4	25.6 24.0 27.2 31.4 37.3	16.5 16.3 19.0 25.1 24.1	9.1 8.9 8.7 10.2 9.5	19,033 19,397 22,621 26,206 26,225	4,714 5,257 4,024 5,161 4,809

⁽a) Monthly averages are for the twelve months ended March. Production in April, 1962, and later months is as reported by the Department of Primary Industry. (b) Production in 1961–62 and later periods is as reported by the Department of Customs and Excise. From July, 1961, includes waste beer. (c) From July, 1961, represents the quantity on which excise duty was paid. (d) Whole milk equivalent.

PRODUCTION OF CHEMICALS, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TYRES

		Che	emicals and	Allied Pro				Vehicle es.(a)		Vehicle issis.	Pneumati Tyres—
Period.	Sul- phuric Acid (100%).	Super-phosphate.	Sulphate of Ammonia.	Ready- mixed Paints and Enamels.	Lacquers, Nitro- cellulose.	Soap.	Cars.	Utilities.	Car.(<i>d</i>)	Com- mercial Payload of One Ton and over.	Motor Cycle, Car, Truck, Aero., etc.(e)
	'000	'000	'000 tons	'000	'000	'000 cwt.	No.	No.	No.	No.	'000.
N / 41-1	tons.	tons.	tons.	gals.	gals.	CWL.					
Monthly											
Average— 1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58	61.0 69.6 74.7 73.2 82.6	148 163 177 165 185	5.90 6.54 6.28 9.24 9.89	657 812 890 906 924	109 123 125 121 130	104 108 109 103 109	5,514 6,002 6,391 6,230 8,129	2,088 2,245 1,969 1,804 2,370	12,173 15,295 16,736 14,850 18,643	1,103 1,422 1,775 1,308 1,293	241 293 303 287 317
1958–59	82.2 89.3 93.5 94.7	177 198 211 216	9.79 8.74 8.25 8.81 7.94	951 1,066 1,053 1,107	133 150 114 109 119	104 105 104 98 100	(f) 9,846 12,546 13,347 12,735 18,266	2,282 2,318 2,277 1,907 2,132	18,774 22,780 22,846 20,144 28,814	1,316 1,627 1,544 1,200 1,632	328 352 364 333 418
1962–63 p	104.1	238	7.94	1,149	119	100	10,200	2,132	20,014	1,032	410
October November December	83.8 73.2 85.4	193 147 166	9.53 7.92 9.73	1,242 1,395 1,077	110 123 99	104 121 87	11,842 15,287 10,752	1,527 1,834 1,420	19,330 22,249 16,474	1,141 1,241 886	334 363 251
January February March April May June	88.4 103.7 110.7 113.3 106.7 100.7	201 251 250 257 273 246	8.37 7.45 8.89 8.14 9.27 8.27	834 1,137 1,237 1,008 1,181 1,069	81 123 126 109 131	68 93 99 97 108 110	10,396 14,358 16,073 13,802 18,330 13,652	1,501 2,232 2,390 1,851 2,645 2,512	15,628 21,646 25,010 21,349 28,102 22,275	912 1,199 1,427 1,294 1,604 1,439	245 345 369 309 422 384
1962 - 63p— July	97.3	201	10.03	1,088	111	114	16,587	2,437	27,644	1,554	439
August September October November	96.0 100.1 100.3 98.0	215 222 240 213	9.70 8.94 7.27 6.51	1,125 1,116 1,322 1,404	118 124 145 133	95 91 111 107	21,044 20,380 21,760 22,069	1,898 1,671 1,804 1,648	31,244 29,159 32,878 32,937	1,638 1,556 1,597 1,599	454 418 463 349
December January February	100.7 103.9 108.3 118.7		8.14 7.71 6.86 8.20	1,047 933 1,201 1,248	99 81 122 126	85 89 94 105	16,632 16,428 18,952 16,794	899 1,130 3,050 3,089	23,963 24,399 30,620 28,018	1,395 1,515 1,865 1,643	323 419 442 343
March April May June	117.5 107.0 100.8	269	7.63 7.47 6.80	1,109 1,226 966	131 141 103	110 111 88	15,620 18,502 14,424	2,435 2,831 2,696	26,603 31,979 26,324	1,661 1,738 1,823	494 460 410
1963–64 p— July	90.9	197	8.26	1,152	123	112	17,402	3,308	32,037	1,885	458
August September	106.5	r241	7.70	1,300 1,220	130 117	97	17,867 18,686	2,104 1,837	31,343 30,964	1,783 1,818	455
October November	113.5	303	7.13 5.78	1,481 1,479	152 149	117 113	19,514 20,281	2,758 2,551	33,554 32,849	r1,900 1,781	

⁽a) Excludes those made, built or assembled wholly or mainly from imported panels. (b) Source: Department of Primary Industry. (c) Source: Nitrogen Fertilizers Pty. Ltd. from July, 1961. (d) Includes station wagons, estate cars, utilities, panel vans and similar commercial vehicles with a payload of under one ton. (e) Source: Department of Supply. (f) From July, 1958, includes station wagons.

WOOL RECEIVALS AND PRODUCTION OF TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

	Wool Received	Scoured	Yarı	n.(b)		Woven	Cloth.(b)			Но	siery.
Period.	into Brokers' Stores. (a)	and Carbon- ized Wool.	Cotton.	Wool.	Cotton.	Wool.	Rayon.	Synthetic Fibre.	Blankets.	Men's.	Womens- Full Length.
N. 413	'000 bales.	Million lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 sq. yds.	'00 0 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000 sq. yds.	'000.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.
Monthly Average—										pairs.	pairs.
1953–54	317.0	11.4	3,175	3,829	2,678	2,919	1,840		100	158	179
1954–55	327.2	11.4	3,458	3,557	2,753	2,589	1,348	14	128	139	202
1955–56	354.6	12.1	3,379	3,601	3,222	2,523	1,439	164	138	130	192
1956–57	405.6	13.8	3,498	3,975	3,856	2,732	2,025 1,924	256 313	140 155	121 123	214 185
1957–58 1958–59	362.7 394.6	12.8 13.2	3,720 3,544	3,801 3,381	3,695 3,524	2,643 2,272	1,476	516	142	109	205
1958–59	410.5	14.6	3,868	4,213	3,594	2,520	1,484	616	161	130	212
1960–61	392.9	12.8	3,407	4,039	3,641	2,205	1,729	837	159	113	218
1961–62	399.9	13.6	3,565	p3,860	3,690	2,079	1,709	1,136	141	118	235
1962–63 p	391.1	13.7	3,898	4,327	3,964	2,334	1,987	1,517	153	135	285
Monthly											
Total—											
1961–62— October	903.7	13.6	3,462	p 3,733	3,704	2,160	1,649	922	134	131	261
November	570.9	15.5	3,973	4,108	4,045	2,415	1,777	1,109	137	144	258
December	243.1	12.6	2,925	2,957	2,885	1,779	1,509	816	88	93	192
January	126.0	12.4	3,160	3,299	3,424	1,803	1,305	875	94	72	178 228
February March	182.4 292.7	13.8 14.4	3,732 3,962	4,343 4,632	3,919 4,004	2,389 2,486	1,650 1,784	1,206 1,367	150 169	114 132	258
April	262.5	12.4	3,674	3,879	3,797	1,931	1,696	1,325	147	111	216
May	222.0	16.3	4,699	5,051	4,344	2,313	2,060	1,625	211	145	291
June	158.3	15.4	4,303	4,506	4,578	2,037	2,143	1,780	175	139	280
1962–63 p—	240.2	12.0	A 676	4 572	5.020	2,219	1,859	1,565	142	153	301
July August	348.3 574.9	13.8	4,676 4,514	4,572 4,624	5,020 4,511	2,417	1,958	1,697	139	170	319
September	794.5	11.7	4,305	4,204	4,310	2,248	1,965	1,725	148	163	298
October	846.9	14.6	4,650	5,043	4,666	3,003	2,145	1,696	180	174	331
November	589.9	14.0	3,974	4,729	4,035	2,751	2,258	1,458	153	147	294
December	228.3	11.5	3,031	3,453 3,504	2,890 2,917	2,022 2,099	1,708 1,676	1,070 959	99 101	101	222
January February	130.1 206.7	13.2	2,842 3,451	4,279	3,419	2,584	1,918	1,240	145	124	
March	289.1	14.3	3,519	4,356	3,616	2,571	1,928	1,462	159	130	1
April	283.4	13.0	3,578	4,339	4,019	2,223	1,935	1,545	174	120	265
May	218.3	16.0	4,068	4,665	4,084	2,130	2,256	1,940	213	145	325
June	182.4	14.0	4,168	4,150	4,091	1,739	2,241	1,846	185	118	307
1963–64 p— July	348.5	14.7	4,589	4,339	4,312	2,017	2,070	1,747	192	149	343
August	595.5	13.0	4,284	4,077	4,210	2,010	2,336	1,822	161	157	r328
September	820.9	11.2	r4,426	3,641	4,151	1,763	2,194	1,760	145	149	r350
October	886.2	15.4	4,918	5,221	4,605	r2,414	r2,364	r1,925	219	159	369
November	611.0	14.5	4,636	4,596	4,577	2,186	2,039	1,594	196	144	370

⁽a) First hand receivals as recorded by the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers. (b) Includes mixtures predominantly the fibre named. (c) Excludes towels and towelling. (d) Excludes blanketing and rug material. (e) Includes boys' prior to July, 1956.

PRODUCTION OF CLOTHING (continued) AND MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

			ths'—		Onde	rwear.	Boots,				701	
Period.		Length d Jackets.	Sports Trou-	Shirts, Men's and Boys'.	Men's, Youths',	Women's Maids' and	Shoes and Sandals (not Rubber).	Mat- tresses, Inner Spring.	Lawn Mowers, Petrol.	Motor Spirit.	Plastics and Synthetic Resins.	News- print.
	Suit.(a)	Other.(a)	sers.		Boys'.	Girls'.	(b)					
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 doz.	'000 pairs.	'Õ00.	No.	Million gals.	'000 cwt.	Tons.
Monthly												
Average-												
1953–54	62.0	70.0	204.0	103	121	224	1,706	34.9	821	15.2	37.7	5,034
1954–55	61.0	70.0	204.0	118	120	235	1,657	39.7	2,452	34.0	44.7	6,134
1955–56	63.1	67.2	223.4	109	130	234	1,651	41.8	6,563	49.8	55.6	6,585
1956–57	59.8	66.9	213.4	119	140	244	1,745	42.3	13,438	68.1	71.3	6,633
1957–58	60.6	63.3	216.0	128	151	238	1,782	47.4	12,271	74.1	75.0	6,757
1958–59	60.7	62.2	226.2	135	154	248	2,005	48.4	20,747	77.9	72.8	6,923
1959–60	64.7	75.7	271.7	153	157	265	2,136	51.6	20,560	88.4	99.1	7,376
1960–61	66.8	70.2	302.7	152	160	281	2,026	49.5	16,608	95.8	87.8	7,336
1961–62	68.7	58.9	309.4	137	172	280	2,101	52.9	16,881	101.3	111.7	7,480
1962–63 p	75.8	58.3	338.8	162	176	291	2,202	53.7	18,246	105.3	137.4	7,520
Monthly												
Total—												
1961-62-												
October	75.7	67.5	359.4	164	186	332	2,492	57.0	43,722	107.9	99.7	7,878
November	79.1	70.2	400.5	171	202	328	2,615	59.8	38,375	101.2	114.4	7,592
December	63.3	54.5	301.7	117	150	249	1,671	54.7	18,077	106.0	104.6	5,655
January	39.4	31.3	201.3	82	124	206	1,416	44.5	15,998	101.2	102.8	7,464
February	69.8	61.4	287.5	126	181	287	1,941	55.0	19,495	84.8	122.3	6,887
March	75.8	68.6	325.1	122	194	277	2,122	57.6	12,170	94.5	130.3	7,830
April	67.6	64.8 70.5	259.9	108	150	235	1,821	49.9	4,441	101.9	123.5	7,492
May June	65.3	61.5	344.6 304.7	155 153	214 199	303 291	2,358	57.9	3,802	112.1	126.1	7,924
June 1962–63 p—	05.5	01.3	304.7	133	199	291	2,062	49.2	2,514	100.2	133.2	7,580
July	79.0	52.8	325.9	169	203	316	2,375	51.6	7,641	102.8	124.9	7,594
August	84.7	47.6	402.1	196	218	328	2,816	56.6	15,916	96.9	135.2	7,548
September	77.0	51.4	371.5	179	184	315	2,481	50.5	29,966	107.4	153.0	7,191
October	88.9	58.4	442.8	202	195	341	2,679	58.1	36,166	106.1	150.0	7,914
November	94.5	55.8	435.9	193	207	305	2,434	58.8	39,911	106.3	147.2	7,474
December	71.1	44.9	319.0	133	165	263	1,595	53.4	22,475	104.5	122.1	5,868
January	42.7	34.7	203.7	91	128	191	1,524	43.7	19,205	115.1	114.6	7,524
February	72.2	61.6	304.0	145	162	286	1,937	57.3	21,606	98.9	141.8	7,392
March	77.8	71.5	327.1	145	155	274	2,134	54.8	11,041	99.2	144.2	8,113
April	75.2	64.6	292.1	153	148	272	1,997	52.2	6,525	118.9	129.9	7,844
May	76.9	77.4	354.5	179	185	307	2,410	59.0	4,149	92.7	150.6	7,958
June	69.8	67.5	287.1	165	160	294	2,040	47.7	3,693	114.0	135.5	7,825
1963–64 p— July	86.1	73.0	348.2	190	193	157	2 652	56 7	9.700	132.2	122 1	7.050
July August	83.4	64.1	329.4	207	182	357 337	2,653 2,719	56.7 55.7	8,780	123.3 105 6	132.1	7,952
September	83.7	r54.0	348.1	194	172	348	2,719	54.8	20,575	110.4	155.9 159.1	8,010 7,792
October	91.0	61.2	426.9	218	204	369	3,019	61.3	44,124	110.4	175.1	8,160
November	90.7	57.2	393.7	194	192	363	2,677	61.2	31,085	102.6	173.1	7,740

⁽a) Excludes plastic coats and dust coats. (b) Includes Infants' Soft Soled Nursery, prior to July, 1956. (c) Source: Department of National Development. (d) Liquid resin or emulsion form are shown in terms of dry weight of resin content.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Unless otherwise stated, the indexes shown below include mining, manufacturing, electricity and manufactured gas but exclude construction. When the indexes are adjusted for differences in the number of working days per month or for seasonal variations they are footnoted accordingly. A short dash on each side of an index number (e.g., -95-) indicates that two series have been linked at that period.

Source: Monthly Bulletin of Statistics of the Statistical Office of the United Nations.

(Base: 1958 = 100.)

Peri	od.		Belgium.	Canada.	France.	Germany West.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway.	Sweden. (a) (b)	United King- dom. (a) (c)	U.S.A. (a)
1955			100	92	80	85	84	69	93	91	92	99	103
1956			106	100	88	92	90	86	98	95	96	99	107
1957		.,	106	101	96	97	96	99	100	100	98	101	107
1958		, ,	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	-100-	100
1959 .			104	108	101	107	111	124	109	106	106	105	113
1960			111	108	110	119	128	-156-	124	117	117	112	116
1961			116	112	116	126	142	186	126	125	120	114	117
1962			122	121	123	132	156	201	130	130	122	115	126
1961—													
April			121	108	n.a.	130	134	177	122	126	n.a.	115	115
May			123	111	n.a.	130	146	182	127	115	n.a.	114	116
June			122	116	n.a.	127	138	185	131	131	n.a.	118	119
July			101	109	106	118	148	187	118	85	n.a.	111	114
August			112	112	85	115	116	186	120	126	n.a.	96	120
September			118	118	115	128	151	189	124	135	n.a.	117	121
October			122	119	123	132	156	195	135	136	126	118	125
November			125	120	123	139	154	195	132	144	131	119	124
December		. ,	119	112	126	133	148	204	118	126	126	112	122
1962—										1.00	107		101
January			118	113	124	122	154	192	128	128	127	111	121
February			120	118	126	127	148	202	120	136	128	118	124
March			121	118	127	126	162	220	134	138	128	121	126
April			124	117	127	135	150	202	124	122	131	114	126
May			125	122	129	135	164	204	138	128	129	120	126
June			125	126	127	136	148	202	131	135	125	117	128
July			109	118	113	123	162	198	125	89	64	109	122
August			119	119	88	122	127	195	128	131	120	100	126
September			126	126	123	137	157	199	128	140 144	127 129	120 121	131
October		٠.	127	126	130	139	170	199	147	144	133	121	129
November			132	126	134	149	168	198	139	143	133	111	129
December			124	118	133	139	160	204	120	127	130	111	123
1963—					1.00	104	1.7	100	130	130	127	108	126
January			119	119	128	124	167	189	130	144	127	116	129
February			122	124	128	126	152	207		144	129	122	131
March			127	124	120	134	171	223 212	134 135	127	133	116	131
April			136	123	132	140	170	212	133	135	133	122	131
May			137	128	137	139	178		131	145	131	120	133
June			134	133	138	145	167	214	-	96	64	1120	129
July			118	r119	123	r127	179	221	137	140	120	105	132
August				123	86	126	132	r217 226	131 135	154	120	103	137
September					132	140		220	133	134			137

⁽a) Adjusted for number of working days.

⁽b) Excludes electricity and manufactured gas.

⁽c) Includes construction.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(Excluding Defence Service Vehicles.)

	Motor Vehicle	s on Register at e	end of period.(a)	New Motor Ve	hicles Registered	during period.(l
Period.	Motor Cars.(c)	Commercial Vehicles, etc.(c)	Motor Cycles.	Motor Cars and Station Wagons.	Other Motor Vehicles.	Motor Cycles
	'000.	'000,	'000.		Monthly Averag	25
1953–54	1,195	612	141	(d) 10,297	(e) 4,687	892
1054 55	1,342	655	133	(d) 13,581	(e) 5,580	939
1755 56	. 1,467	683	126	13,472	5,625	868
1056 57	1,564	707	120	12,271		
1057 50	1,676	735	116	13,847	4,831	800
1050 50	1,783	766	111	14,693	5,148	869
1050 (0	1,924	807	102		5,528	836
1060 61	2,065	843	93	18,671	5,757	807
1061 62	2,185	869	85	18,595	4,931	656
1063 62	0.242	904		17,994	4,343	443
	2,343	904	77	23,744	5,005	454
]	Monthly Totals	
1961 -62						
3.7 1	. 2,105	846	89	18,383	4,413	401
D	2,117	849	89	16,575	3,975	407
T	. 2,127	851	88	15,759	3,775	468
E-1	. 2,137	858	88	17,988	1	
Manala	2,148	861	88		4,240	529
A! 1	2,158	862	87	21,212	5,077	530
Man	2,173	866	86	17,665	4,428	447
Torra	2,185	868	85	21,908	5,465	464
1962-63—	2,103	000	03	23,137	4,921	423
T1	. 2,203	871	84	23,703	5 160	166
A	2,216	873	83		5,168	466
Cambanahan	2,228	875	83	25,624	4 874	407
October	2,243	878	82	23,317	4.177	408
NT	2,267	885	82	26,547	5,123	426
D	2,278	889	81	27,086	5,122	432
I	. 2,290	889	80	22,843	4,087	414
E-l	2 200	889	80	21,926	3,761	501
Manala	0.200	894		22,381	4,266	530
A	2 226	899	80 79	23,564	6,138	588
April	2,326	902		21,612	5,583	423
Tunna	2 2 4 2	902	78	24,336	6,446	536
June	. 2,343	904	77	21,987	5,312	315
T1	. 2,366	907	7.0	20. 655		
A	0.000	907	76	29,675	6,223	378
C 4 1			75	27,858	5,512	385
0 -4 -1		916	75 75	28,586	5,698	367
October		921	75	30,034	6,157	451
December	. 2,436	926	74	r28,471	r6,157	432
December .						

⁽a) Prior to January, 1956, Department of Navy vehicles were included. (b) This series is not strictly comparable with the "on Register" series. (c) Registration in Victoria is according to purpose of use and not type of vehicle; consequently motor car registrations are overstated by the inclusion of commercial vehicles registered for private use. (e) Excludes ambulances and hearses.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS: OPERATIONS AND REVENUE

		Goods and	Livestock.	-	Earn	ings.
Period.	Revenue Train-miles.	Tons Carried.	Net Ton- miles.(a)	Passenger- journeys.	Gross.	Net
	'000.	'000.	Million.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Monthly Average—						1.10
1953-54	7,789	3,899	579.4	42,557	14,155	140
1954-55	7,896	3,975	608.0	43,071	14,498	126
1955–56	8,020	3,898	606.1	42,895	14,762	646
1956-57	7,924	3,956	619.8	41,543	15,608	-419
1957-58	7,524	3,771	565.4	39,702	14,845	691
1050 50	7,607	4,003	607.8	38,916	15,345	67
1050 60	7,722	4,264	664.5	38,392	16,180	6
1000 01	7,752	4,614	729.4	37,072	17,352	657
1061 62	7,715	4,630	732.2	36,943	17,290	437
1961–62(<i>b</i>)	7,746	4,602	731.9	38,450	17,317	615
10(0 (0(1)	7,758	4,620	766.3	38,738	17,728	918
Monthly Total—(b)		(c)				
1961–62—				26.240	10 103	1 125
August	8,200	5,061	770.7	36,348	18,192	1,137
September	7,834	4,749	730.7	41,581	17,834	1,025
October	7,820	4,835	727.5	39,574	17,580	834
November	7,658	4,824	707.0	35,104	16,940	-338
December	7,357	3,994	613.7	34,280	15,561	-756
January	7,494	3,950	648.6	37,882	16,318	144
February	7,327	4,519	753.8	41,672	16,877	1,556
3.6 1	7,835	4,740	791.3	37,502	17,411	918
A *1	7,355	4,127	691.1	36,939	16,352	586
1.6	8,242	5,022	833.7	39,775	18,753	1,240
Ψ	7,866	4,581	768.6	38,268	18,379	-1,110
1962–63—				40.055	40.024	0.400
July	7,984	4,895	788.6	43,067	18,031	2,40
August	8,009	4,978	778.1	36,616	18,059	1,442
September	7,568	4,395	710.1	41,038	17,074	1,13
0 -4 -1	. 8,037	4,937	787.3	39,100	18,478	1,972
3.7 I.	7,856	4,615	743.4	36,078	17,478	53
D 1	7,540	4,047	663.4	34,711	16,389	4.5
T	7,629	4,402	731.9	37,567	17,593	1,968
February	7,262	4,552	773.5	41,768	17,208	1,860
March	7,815	4,644	803.4	37,825	17,600	1,286
April	7 475	4,351	765.2	37,922	17,303	1,220
3.6	0 246	4,987	850.8	40,449	18,921	1,01
	7,676	4,640	799.7	38,717	18,597	-2,123
1963–64—						
July	8,324	5,373	894.5	42,928	19,840	2,61
August	8,180	4,897	815.1	37,384	18,703	1,300
September	7,918	4,997	838.0	44,510	19,224	2,382
0 1	8,185	5,334	878.7	p39,833	19,951	2,569

⁽a) Partly estimated. Excludes South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge Railway. (b) Prepared from monthly railway returns and not strictly comparable with annual figures above. (c) Excludes South Brisbane-Border Section of Uniform Gauge Railway.

Note.-Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

SHIPPING CARGOES

Note.—Part of the cargo is recorded in tons weight and part in tons measurement. As the total cannot be stated accurately as either tons weight or tons measurement, each is recorded and published separately. "1 ton measurement" equals 40 cubic feet.

					Oversea	a Cargo.			
	Period.				m Australian		arged at an Ports.	Interstate Ca	rgo Shipped
B.C. and L. A.				'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measure- ment.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measure- ment.	'000 tons weight.	'000 tons measure- ment.
Monthly Avera	ge—								
1953–54	* *	. ,		479	113	711	234	7 5 8	128
1954-55				507	118	916	284	851	123
1955–56		. ,		555	129	1,036	285	969	111
1956–57		. ,		728	115	1,050	229	992	107
1957–58				614	124	1,143	243	1,051	96
1958–59				720	122	1,186	222	1,030	88
1959–60		. ,		843	123	1,288	272	1,076	113
1960–61		. ,		1,146	129	1,439	317	1,143	123
1961–62				1,433	128	1,459	230	1,138	99
1962–63	• •			1,280	129	1,625	283	1,195	92
Monthly Total- 1961–62—	<u>-</u>								
September				1,597	129	1,658	204	1,175	97
October				1,368	104	1,405	248	1,190	104
November		.,		1,549	126	1,521	217	1,157	113
December		.,		1,484	113	1,451	206	1,075	106
January		.,	, ,	1,345	59	1,332	236	1,130	88
February				1,263	96	1,352	203	930	102
March				1,339	159	1,390	253	1,268	102
April		. ,		1,436	184	1,353	248	1,080	73
May				1,580	197	1,861	259	1,293	113
June		. ,		1,417	155	1,265	270	1,095	88
1962–63—									
July				1,243	89	1,582	318	1,141	94
August				1,167	136	1,573	325	1,182	113
September				1,021	127	1,342	266	1,144	108
October				1,029	126	1,926	347	1,206	104
November				1,222	126	1,456	277	1,242	97
December				1,233	83	1,640	239	1,184	58
January				1,240	96	1,785	303	1,226	86
February				1,552	109	1,406	223	1,088	87
March				1,205	130	1,783	248	1,242	92
April				1,440	157	1,731	297	1,091	79
May				1,657	210	1,639	279	1,289	86
June				1,353	155	1,633	275	1,301	97
1963–64—									
July				1,639	142	1,718	356	1,297	89
August				1,661	110	1,821	314	1,432	101
September				r1,433	r132	1,566	r329	r1,262	97
October p				1,445	124	1,812	312	1,458	119

POST OFFICE ACTIVITY

				Receipts of	-14	t Listeners' ences.		on Viewers' ences,	Telephon	e Services.
	Period.			P.M.G.'s Department.	New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	New Issues.	In force at End of Period.	Lines Con- nected at End of Period.	Effective Applications (b)
				£'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	
				(c)	(c)		(c)			(c)
1953-54				5,650	15	2,042			1,050	10,624
1954-55				6,069	13	2,035			1,127	12,492
1955-56			1.	6,612	13	2,089			1,207	13,734
1956–57		, .		7,506	14	2,107	(d) 11	(d) 74	1,279	9,923
1957–58				8,065	15	2,138	19	291	1,362	11,400
1958–59				8,622	21	2,264	25	578	1,443	13,398
1959–60				10,136	13	2,283	34	955	1,514	14,056
				1		,				
1960–61				11,343	13	2,256	27	1,217	(e) 1,631	14,113
1961–62				11,651	11	2,220	24	1,424	(e) 1,718	17,084
1962–63		• •		12,557	15	2,240	24	1,655	1,812	22,458
1961–62—				(f)	(f)		(<i>f</i>)		(e)	(<i>f</i>)
November				11,516	11	2,233	19	1,299	1,666	15,095
December				11,364	8	2,237	19	1,310	1,672	11,617
January				11,506	9	2,240	22	1,329	1,677	15,258
February				11,650	10	2,232	21	1,338	1,684	18,048
March				12,633	11	2,235	(g) 22	1,356	1,691	21,528
					8	2,235	19	1,388	1,698	17,434
April				10,484			28	1,399	1,708	22,635
May		• •		12,634	12 13	2,221	34	1,399	1,708	23,182
June		• •	• •	12,739	13	2,220	34	1,424	1,/10	23,102
1962–63—				11.741	10	2 222	20	1.461	1 727	24.006
July				11,741	13	2,223	29	1,461	1,727	24,086
August				12,351	14	2,221	30	1,487	1,736	24,009
September				10,754	14	2,220	27	1,508	1,745	20,537
October				13,720	14	2,228	27	1,534	1,755	23,176
November				12,547	13	2,229	23	1,548	1,764	21,349
December				12,170	9	2,225	16	1,560	1,771	16,167
January				13,143	21	2,244	25	1,581	1,775	21,548
February				11,797	23	2,251	28	1,603	1,782	23,905
March				12,324	15	2,249	22	1,616	1,790	23,796
April				12,385	11	2,261	18	1,635	1,797	22,290
May		. ,		13,760	16	2,258	26	1,655	1,804	25,984
June		٠,		13,997	12	2,240	22	1,655	1,812	22,652
1963–64—				12.054	22	2.269	22	1 605	1,822	28,981
July				13,954	23	2,268	32	1,695		
August		• •		12,728	23	2,268	31	1,714	1,832	26,629
September				12,294	14	2,274	23	1,732	1,841	25,379
October				14,170	15	2,276	21	1,754	1,851	26,547
November				13,011	17	2,271	22	1,762	1,861	24,989
December				14,483	11	2,282	16	1,778	1,869	20,585

⁽a) Actual collections. (b) Net demand for new telephone services (i.e., excluding withdrawals of applications during period).
(c) Monthly average. (d) Licences were first issued in December, 1956, but did not come into force until 1st January, 1957.
(e) Details of exchange lines are no longer available. As from July, 1960, telephone services, representing exchange lines plus half the duplex lines are shown. (f) Monthly total. (g) From March, 1962, excludes short-term hirers' licences which were previously included.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a)

CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS (INCLUDING NOTE ISSUE DEPARTMENT) (£A million.)

Central Banking Business (including Note Issue Department).

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Period.	No	otes on Iss	ue.	Statutory Reserve	Other		Other		Commo Governm rities Rec	ent Secu- leemable	
Period.				Deposit Accounts of	Deposits of	Deposits of Savings	Liabilities (excluding Capital	Gold and Balances held	in Aus	tralia.	Other Secu-
	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total.	Trading Banks.	Trading Banks.	Banks.	and Reserves).	Abroad.	Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.(c)	Other.	rities.
Average of Weekly Figures—											
1957–58	45.7	343.9	389.6	328.3	25.6	21	8.4	461.7	125.6	293.4	59.6
1958–59	47.2	348.8	396.0	259.9	24.2		32.9	411.5	139.2	278.8	51.1
1959–60	52.1	361.5	413.6	280.8	19.6	24	16.4	442.2	196.5	232.4	46.3
1960–61	57.5	370.2	427.7	294.4	18.5	138.3	130.1	365.7	223.6	303.9	43.7
1961–62	59.4	368.1	427.5	217.7	31.5	151.0	182.0	492.1	190.1	235.8	39.8
1962–63	63.3	375.0	438.3	212.3	59.5	178.2	128.6	514.1	154.4	257.5	37.6
1961-62-											
November	56.8	368.0	424.8	220.2	19.6	151.6	201.2	491.6	250.4	218.7	40.3
December(d)	65.7	382.4	448.1	223.3	16.2	148.3	196.6	499.7	270.2	211.6	40.3
January	63.3	370.1	433.4	227.6	25.7	153.3	196.9	510.4	227.2	205.8	40.3
February	61.2	364.1	425.3	231.5	19.9	153.0	201.8	514.7	187.3	194.2	40.3
March	58.8	366.2	425.0	235.4	18.9	156.1	184.9	506.5	189.5	193.3	39.9
April(d)	59.4	372.9	432.3	224.4	33.6	157.1	123.6	461.6	171.5	210.9	39.7
May	62.7	368.8	431.5	198.4	75.4	154.8	132.7	483.8	154.2	251.1	38.6
June	61.1	368.2	429.3	195.0	75.5	160.9	131.9	491.9	154.2	257.6	38.1
1962–63— July	58.9	367.6	426.5	192.4	74.4	162.1	122.6	502 2	140.7	256 1	20 1
	59.4	371.0	430.4	192.4	70.9	162.1	124.8	502.3 503.9	148.7 158.6	256.1 264.0	38.1 37.9
August September	59.4	373.8	432.8	191.8	68.2	169.7	119.7	495.0	172.7	276.6	37.9
October	61.1	374.4	435.5	195.8	67.3	178.3	119.7	493.0	199.1	268.6	37.6
November	59.9	376.1	436.0	213.9	61.0	188.2	123.3	507.9	230.3	253.6	37.6
December (d)	70.1	387.8	457.9	215.8	61.6	183.7	126.7	507.4	255.6	253.0	37.5
January	69.9	379.4	449.3	219.8	66.6	178.4	127.1	507.8	212.5	250.1	37.3
February	63.8	372.4	436.2	223.8	54.6	181.0	135.3	515.0	136.3	234.7	37.3
March	64.7	374.5	439.2	227.0	51.7	184.9	133.3	516.7	122.7	235.1	37.5
April	63.1	383.1	446.2	228.5	49.4	182.7	140.9	533.0	97.7	259.7	37.7
May	65.1	373.0	438.1	227.1	46.0	184.9	135.8	543.7	71.5	268.6	37.6
June	64.7	371.0	435.7	223.6	39.9	185.5	134.7	544.2	66.2	264.1	37.2
1963-64											
July	62.6	368.8	431.4	211.1	52.0	189.4	128.0	549.6	79.3	267.8	37.1
August	63.3	371.9	435.2	209.3	48.1	195.8	130.6	558.8	98.2	269.6	37.1
September	62.8	372.4	435.2	209.2	47.7	196.0	131.4	568.9	118.5	249.7	37.1
October	63.3	371.9	435.2	211.3	49.3	209.1	141.6	603.4	133.8	243.0	37.3
November	63.6	373.1	436.7	215.9	47.2	218.3	139.8	630.7	149.7	222.7	37.3
December(d)	74.5	384.7	459.2	221.1	44.4	219.2	148.2	673.2	182.4	204.6	36.6

⁽a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. (b) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Accounts of Trading Banks. (c) Figures for periods prior to July, 1962, relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes. (d) Return for fourth Wednesday not available.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a) RURAL CREDITS DEPARTMENT: ADVANCES (£ million.)

		Period.		Advances.	Pe	eriod.		Advances
Average of W	eekly	Figures—			Average of Weekly	Figures-	_	
1953-54			 	43.2	1962–63—			
1954-55			 	62.3	July			 51.8
1955-56			 	73.8	August			 32.7
1956-57			 	56.6	September			 19.0
1957-58			 	33.7	October			 14.4
1958-59			 	46.7	November			 8.3
1959-60			 	62.6	December(b)			 10.6
1960-61			 	72.4	January			 51.3
1961-62			 	69.1	February			 117.5
1962-63			 	66.7	March			 135.4
					April			 124.8
					May			 120.0
1961-62					June			 112.5
Novembe	er		 	34.7				
Decembe	$\mathbf{r}(b)$		 	33.3	1963-64			
January			 	72.3	July			 86.8
February	7		 	110.3	August			 70.5
3.6 1			 	101.4	September			 57.6
April(b)			 	99.2	October			 44.1
May			 	80.9	November			 31.8
June			 	63.7	December(b)			 11.9

⁽a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. return for fourth Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT BANK OF AUSTRALIA(a): **ADVANCES**

(f. million.)

				(£ IIII	liion.)				
			Adva	nces.				Adva	nces.
Perio	d.		Hire Purchase.	Other.	Period.			Hire Purchase.	Other.
Average of Weekly	Figures—	_			Average of Weekly F 1962–63—	igures—		20.2	20.0
1953–54			16.6	9.3	July			20.3	28.0
1954–55			17.0	11.6	August			20.3	28.8
1955–56			16.6	14.1	September			20.3	29.6
1956–57			16.5	14.5	October			20.7	30.2
1957–58			16.0	14.9	November			21.5	30.8
1958–59			17.4	15.1	December(b)			21.9	30.8
1959–60			17.8	15.9	January			21.7	30.8
1960–61			18.9	17.5	February			20.8	31.3
1961–62			19.9	24.4	March			20.2	31.8
1962–63			20.7	30.9	April			20.3	32.3
					May			20.5	33.0
1961-62-					June			20.5	33.0
November			20.4	23.9	1963-64				
December(b)			21.0	24.2	July			20.4	33.1
January			20.9	24.8	August			20.5	33.7
February			20.2	25.3	September			20.6	34.3
March			19.9	25.9	October			21.2	34.9
April (b)			20.0	26.4	November			22.2	35.6
May			20.2	27.2	December(b)			23.0	35.4
June			20.3	27.6					

⁽a) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of Commonwealth Bank of (b) Bank exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday. Australia.

⁽b) Bank exempted from furnishing a

COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a) (Major Trading Banks)

LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA (£ million.)

		Dep	osits.			State Go	wealth and vernments rities.			Loans (Other than
		Cui	rrent.		Coin, Bullion, and	Secu	littles.	Loans to Authorized	Statutory Reserve Deposit	Loans to Authorized Dealers
Period.	Fixed.	Bearing Interest. (c)	Not Bearing Interest.	Total.	Cash with Reserve Bank.	Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.	Account with Reserve Bank.	in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted	
Average of Weekly Figures—										
1958–59	334.9	101.3	1,166.9	1,603.1	69.5	42.4	250.2		259.3	929.5
1959–60	343.8	115.2	1,248.6	1,707.6	69.5	27.5	297.1	24.3	280.2	952.0
1960–61	406.8	102.7	1,219.2	1,728.7	72.3	22.3	228.4	23.6	293.9	1.050.0
1961–62	533.8	99.4	1,173.4	1,806.6	71.8	34.5	370.1	30.9	217.3	1,002.2
1962–63	596.9	113.6	1,193.7	1,904.2	69.4	34.3	374.4	32.0	211.8	1,060.6
1961–62—			.,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				02.0	211.0	1,000.0
November	534.1	94.1	1,162.2	1,790.4	71.2	30.2	372.3	31.2	219.8	999.0
December (f)	535.9	91.5	1,196.4	1,823.8	78.4	29.8	372.3	32.3	222.8	991.7
January	537.1	95.1	1,224.7	1,856.9	82.6	55.7	406.5	33.0	227.2	976.2
February	551.3	99.0	1,236.4	1,886.7	70.7	67.3	440.3	33.3	231.1	965.2
March	560.6	95.4	1,239.3	1,895.3	68.1	61.2	451.0	32.7	234.9	971.9
April(f)	562.6	95.4	1,225.2	1,883.2	63.8	30.6	429.4	31.6	233.9	1,008.8
May	554.3	103.7	1,184.8	1,842.8	70.3	13.6	381.2	28.2	198.0	1,022.0
June	551.3	105.3	1,167.6	1,824.2	70.1	12.4	364.4	26.5	194.6	1,031.4
1962–63–										
July	558.6	114.0	1,150.2	1,822.8	67.9	10.1	352.3	31.2	192.0	1,060.9
August	570.4	112.9	1,139.0	1,822.3	66.9	14.0	355.8	31.6	191.4	1,052.1
September	578.6	111.9	1,136.1	1,826.6	65.5	20.0	359.5	30.3	191.4	1,046.6
October	581.6	116.2	1,168.7	1,866.5	69.3	22.6	362.9	36.9	195.4	1,051.8
November	590.7	107.1	1,177.3	1,875.1	65.9	19.0	366.1	31.4	213.5	1,054.1
December (f)	595.0	108.3	1,212.4	1,915.7	79.1	28.2	362.4	31.2	215.3	1,052.1
January	600.9	113.1	1,237.1	1,951.1	84.5	51.1	377.3	40.1	219.4	1,044.6
February	615.7	115.1	1,245.6	1,976.4	66.9	68.6	415.5	34.9	223.4	1,040.7
March	618.1	117.7	1,249.4	1,985.2	65.4	71.9	415.1	31.2	226.6	1,048.1
April	623.4	113.8	1,230.3	1,967.5	66.4	48.3	389.4	28.0	228.0	1,082.0
May	619.6	113.2	1,199.1	1,931.9	68.9	33.4	373.4	27.8	226.7	1,091.2
June	613.8	117.8	1,191.8	1,923.4	65.5	26.6	366.9	26.8	223.2	1,101.2
1963-64										
July	623.3	125.4	1,188.8	1,937.5	67.2	31.7	367.8	28.3	210.6	1,108.2
August	631.1	120.1	1,180.5	1,931.7	64.3	29.6	373.3	33.4	208.9	1,103.6
September	634.3	120.8	1,201.8	1,956.9	65.0	43.0	392.0	35.9	208.8	1,087.8
October	640.8	125.6	1,241.5	2,007.9	65.1	45.8	409.1	36.0	210.8	1,099.8
November	653.9	135.2	1,271.4	2,060.5	66.0	69.7	426.2	36.8	215.5	1,104.4
December (f)	660.6	130.6	1,321.4	2,112.6	78.5	66.7	444.6	35.5	220.6	1,098.3

⁽a) Commonwealth Trading Bank, Australia and New Zealand Bank Ltd., the Bank of Adelaide, Bank of New South Wales, the Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd., The Commercial Banking Company of Sydney Ltd., The English, Scottish and Australian Bank Ltd., The National Bank of Australias Ltd. (b) Prior to February, 1960, fixed deposits—Australian Governments were included in current deposits bearing interest. (c) See note (b). (d) Figures for periods prior to July 1962 relate to Treasury Bills and Seasonal Securities, the latter Securities being replaced by Treasury Notes. (e) Prior to 14th January, 1960, Special Account with Commonwealth Bank. (f) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a)

(Major Trading Banks)

RATIOS OF SELECTED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES TO TOTAL DEPOSITS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(Per Cent.)

		Percenta	ges of Various	Categories of A	ssets to Total 1	Deposits.	
Period.		Cash in Australia.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes.	Cash + Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes + other Com- monwealth and State Government Securities.	Statutory Reserve Deposit Account with Reserve Bank.	Loans (Other than Loans to Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market), Advances and Bills Discounted.	Percentage Non-interest bearing to Total Deposits.
Average of Weekly F: 1958–59	igures—	4.3 4.1 4.2 4.0 3.6	7.0 5.7 5.5 5.9 5.4	22.6 23.1 18.7 26.4 25.1	16.2 16.4 17.0 12.0 11.1	58.0 55.8 60.7 55.5 55.7	72.8 73.1 70.5 65.0 62.7
November December(b) January February March April(b) May June		4.0 4.3 4.4 3.7 3.6 3.4 3.8 3.8	5.7 6.0 7.4 7.3 6.8 5.0 4.5	26.5 26.7 29.3 30.6 30.6 27.8 25.2 24.5	12.3 12.2 12.2 12.3 12.4 11.9 10.7	55.8 54.4 52.6 51.2 51.3 53.6 55.5 56.5	64.9 65.6 66.0 65.5 65.4 65.1 64.3 64.0
1962–63— July August September October November December (b) January February March April May June		3.7 3.7 3.6 3.7 3.5 4.1 4.4 3.4 3.3 3.3	4.3 4.5 4.7 4.9 4.5 5.6 7.0 6.9 6.9 5.8 5.3 4.8	23.6 23.0 24.4 24.4 24.0 24.5 26.3 27.9 27.8 25.6 24.6 23.9	10.5 10.5 10.5 10.5 11.4 11.2 11.2 11.3 11.4 11.6	58.2 57.7 57.3 56.4 56.2 54.9 53.5 52.7 52.8 55.0 56.5 57.2	63.1 62.5 62.2 62.6 62.8 63.3 63.4 63.0 62.9 62.5 62.1 62.0
June 1963–64— July August September October November December(b)		3.5 3.3 3.3 3.2 3.2 3.7	5.1 4.9 5.5 5.5 6.6 6.9	24.1 24.2 25.5 25.9 27.3 27.9	10.9 10.8 10.7 10.5 10.5	57.2 57.1 55.6 54.8 53.6 52.0	61.4 61.1 61.4 61.8 61.7 62.6

⁽a) See footnote (a), page 50.

⁽b) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for fourth Wednesday.

COMMONWEALTH AND PRIVATE TRADING BANKS(a)

(Major Trading Banks)

NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS AND OVERDRAFT LIMITS (£ million.)

New and Inc	creased Lend	ling Co	mmitments	.(b)		Overdra	ft Limits.(c	e)	
			Weekly	Average.	At Second	Wednesda	ny of—(d)		Total Outstanding
For Period en Wednesd			Aggre- gate.	Term Loan Com- ponent.	1961— July September				1,571.5 1,586.7
1961—	nom hor				October November		• •		1,605.5 1,620.0
December			11.5		December				1,646.8
1962—					1962—				
January			8.6		January				1,651.4
February			9.4		February				1,665.2
March			12.5		March				1,682.5
April			12.9		April				1,701.1
May			10.2	n.a.	May				1,713.7
June			9.5	n.a.	June				1,721.9
					July				1,732.8
July			10.2	0.8	August				1,744.3
August			11.3	0.5	September				1,752.1
September			9.9	1.0	October				1,752.9
October			9.9	1.0	November				1,766.5
November			10.8	0.7	December				1,770.9
December			11.6	1.0					
1963—					1963—				
January			8.4	0.7	January				1,762.7
February			9.3	1.0	February				1,767.3
March			13.2	1.8	March				1,783.2
April			13.7	1.8	April				1,793.6
May June			10.0	0.4	May				1,798.0
June		• •	11.2	0.6	June				1,811.2
July			13.6	1.0	July				1,822.8
August			10.8	1.0	August				1,835.1
September			11.3	0.7	September				1,845.2
October			12.0	0.7	October				1,861.1
November			10.4	0.5	November				1,873.4
December			10.8	0.7	December				1,882.7

Source: Reserve Bank.

⁽a) See footnote (a) page 50. (b) This series has been compiled from information supplied by the major trading banks as at the second Wednesday of each month. Prior to July, 1962, the series covered all new and increased lending commitments entered into by banks which require the approval of a formal limit on a customer's overdraft account. Commitments in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers and in respect of term loans were excluded. As from July, 1962, the series has been extended to include new commitments in respect of the term lending arrangements established in mid-April, 1962. The figures represent gross new lending commitments of banks and do not take account of cancellations and reductions of existing limits. Figures for cancellations and reductions of existing limits can be obtained from this series (after deducting term loan component and adjusting the weekly average to a monthly basis) in conjunction with that of overdraft limits. However, those derived figures should be regarded as an approximation only, since there are unavoidable differences in the basis of compilation of the two series. (c) Excludes limits in respect of temporary advances to woolbuyers and term loans. (d) Prior to July, 1961—at the beginning of the month.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS(a) LIABILITIES AND ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA

(£ million.)

		Depo	osits.		Coin,	State Go	wealth and vernments rities.	Loans	Statutory	Loans (Other than Loans to
Period.	Fixed.	Bearing Interest.	Not Bearing Interest.	Total.	Bullion, Notes and Cash with Reserve Bank.	Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes. (d)	Other Securities.	to Authorized Dealers in the Short- Term Money	Reserve	Authorized Dealers in the Short-Term Money Market). Advances and Bills Discounted.
1959–60 1960–61 1961–62	ly 345.1 354.1 421.2 555.4 627.8	120.7	1,207.0 1,293.5 1,264.9 1,220.5 1,245.0	1,667.9 1,780.4 1,809.5 1,896.6 2,006.1	73.2 72.4 75.1 77.4 74.8	43.3 28.3 23.1 34.9 36.1	264.6 314.0 247.2 392.1 396.9	30.7 30.6 33.3 34.2	259.9 280.8 294.4 217.7 212.3	1,015.3 1,040.6 1,144.5 1,108.1 1,182.6
December (f) January February March April (f) May	554.4 556.6 558.6 574.4 584.2 586.2 578.6	111.9 115.9 118.3 115.5 117.1 126.1	1,207.6 1,242.3 1,275.8 1,287.9 1,290.4 1,275.5 1,232.9 1,215.7	1,876.9 1,910.8 1,950.3 1,980.6 1,990.1 1,978.8 1,937.6 1,918.4	75.0 82.3 88.6 77.5 75.9 72.0 79.1 77.2	31.1 30.2 56.2 67.8 61.5 30.5 13.6 12.4	391.4 398.3 430.3 464.6 474.5 452.5 403.3 385.9	33.5 33.8 35.6 34.9 34.7 34.2 29.6 27.9	220.2 223.3 227.6 231.5 235.4 224.4 198.4 195.0	1,105.9 1,098.9 1,082.3 1,070.8 1,079.1 1,116.9 1,132.8 1,143.4
August September October November December(f) January February March April	586.6 599.0 607.4 610.9 620.4 625.1 631.4 647.0 650.4 657.2 653.4 647.7	132.1 130.8 135.0 126.2 127.0 132.3 134.0 137.1 135.1 134.9	1,197.6 1,185.7 1,183.7 1,217.4 1,225.0 1,260.8 1,291.0 1,303.1 1,306.0 1,285.8 1,252.0 1,244.8	1,917.8 1,916.8 1,921.9 1,963.3 1,971.6 2,012.9 2,054.7 2,084.1 2,093.5 2,078.1 2,040.3 2,032.2	74.6 73.3 71.6 73.7 70.1 83.4 89.8 73.3 72.4 72.8 69.3	10.1 14.0 20.0 23.8 20.4 29.4 53.6 71.7 75.0 51.5 36.3 29.4	440.8 415.1 398.9	32.8 33.1 32.0 38.5 33.0 32.6 43.1 37.8 33.6 30.7 31.1 29.0	192.5 191.8 191.8 195.8 213.9 215.8 223.8 227.0 228.7 227.1 223.6	1,175.6 1,168.5 1,164.6 1,172.8 1,176.0 1,174.1 1,167.0 1,161.5 1,170.3 1,207.8 1,219.7 1,232.4
July August September October November December(f)	660.7 670.0 673.7 680.7 694.0 701.2	142.5 143.4 148.2 156.6	1,232.5 1,255.0 1,295.7 1,327.0	2,045.0 2,072.1 2,124.6 2,177.6	70.3 67.1 67.8 68.1 69.1 81.5	30.8 44.4 47.5 71.6	397.4 416.1 435.1 453.6	38.0 41.3 39.4 39.7	209.3 209.2 211.3 215.9	1,225.3 1,239.1 1,242.8

⁽a) Covers the Commonwealth and Private Trading Banks, and in addition the Bank of China, Bank of New Zealand, The Brisbane Permanent Building and Banking Co. Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, the General Bank Department of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, the General Banking Department of the State Bank of South Australia, and the Rural Department of the Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia. (b) See note (b) page 50. (c) See note (c) page 50. (d) See note (d) page 50. (e) See note (e) page 50.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS: DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS(a)

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)
(£ million,)

Period.		New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
	eekly									
Figures—										
1953–54		171.7	154.9	51.0	32.8	25.4	9.9	0.5	0.8	447.0
1954–55		187.5	176.2	53.9	36.3	26.2	10.7	0.5	0.8	492.1
1955–56		200.9	185.4	56.0	39.6	26.9	11.6	0.6	1.0	522.0
1956–57		219.4	195.5	62.7	42.7	28.6	12.6	0.6	1.2	563.3
1957–58		230.4	207.1	65.6	44.3	30.2	12.9	0.7	1.5	592.7
1958–59		248.9	224.7	70.3	46.2	30.7	13.8	0.8	2.0	637.4
1959–60		296.3	264.6	79.1	53.4	34.9	15.5	0.9	2.7	747.4
1960–61		322.5	282.9	81.9	58.0	37.8	16.3	1.0	3.4	803.8
1961–62		327.0	295.0	82.2	58.1	40.2	16.0	1.1	4.0	823.6
1962–63	• •	356.6	325.3	92.6	65.8	44.1	17.5	1.2	5.1	908.2
1961–62—		224 (
November		331.6	287.9	81.3	56.3	39.0	14.8	1.1	3.6	815.6
December		339.8	326.9	84.7	64.1	44.2	16.9	1.1	3.8	881.5
January		296.9	261.2	75.6	53.1	42.9	13.5	1.0	4.0	748.2
February		337.7	309.9	82.9	62.1	43.4	15.2	1.1	3.7	856.0
March		331.9	291.9	81.7	62.1	43.5	17.6	1.0	4.6	834.3
April May	• •	330.5 360.1	295.0	84.7	60.1	38.2	16.3	1.0	4.1	829.9
May June		347.6	319.2 314.3	85.0 86.4	63.8 62.9	42.8 39.0	19.8 17.9	1.2	4.2 6.0	896.1 87 5 .3
1962–63—		9		00.1	02.7	37.0	17.5	1.2	0.0	013.3
July		368.0	225 1	04.0	66.0	10.1	40.5			
August	• •	323.1	335.1 291.2	94.0	66.8	42.1	18.7	1.3	5.2	931.2
September		344.2	311.5	83.6	58.1	39.4	17.1	1.3	5.1	818.9
October		362.1	322.0	90.8 95.8	61.9	40.7	16.1	1.4	4.0	870.6
November		351.2	313.2	89.5	65.0 64.7	44.3	17.0	1.4	4.9	912.5
December		374.8	340.3	94.8		43.9	16.5	1.3	4.7	885.0
January		335.5	299.6	84.8	70.0 59.9	45.1 49.5	19.5	1.3	6.5	952.3
February		363.7	345.4	96.3	73.1	49.3	15.2 17.0	1.2	4.5	850.2
March		360.1	336.9	93.8	71.8	43.9	17.0	1.2	4.2	949.0
April		371.5	349.9	99.7	67.5	45.9	19.1	1.1	4.6	931.3
May		355.6	328.8	90.9	66.9	44.7	18.3	1.2	5.7 5.5	960.6
June		381.2	344.3	100.5	67.5	40.9	18.1	1.2	6.0	911.9 959.7
1963-64										
July		410.0	365.6	108.5	73.4	44.0	19.2	1.4	5.2	1 027 4
August		350.9	327.2	97.0	62.4	42.0	15.9	1.4	5.3	1,027.4 901.7
September		388.5	347.7	107.8	69.2	45.2	16.6	1.3	4.8	901.7
October		408.3	350.8	110.2	76.5	49.0	17.9	1.5	5.3	1,019.5
November		429.8	360.4	109.1	78.3	48.3	17.4	1.3	6.2	,
December		457.6	422.5	112.6	88.2	52.7	22.1	1.4	0.2	1,050.9

⁽a) Averages of four or five weeks ended on last Wednesday. Includes in addition to the banks included in series on page 53, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (prior to 14th January, 1960 the Industrial Finance and Mortgage Bank Departments of the Commonwealth Bank).

SAVINGS BANKS: DEPOSITORS' BALANCES

(£ million.)

At end of—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land,	South Australia,	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia.
June, 1959	488.3	458.4	166.7	157.1	71.5	42.5	2.2	4.6	1,391.3
,, 1960	541.6	499.6	182.6	166.0	78.6	46.4	2.5	5.4	a 1,522.7
" 1961	569.2	517.5	187.1	166.8	80.7	47.4	2.7	6.1	a 1,577.5
,, 1962	625.0	570.9	205.9	181.0	90.5	51.2	3.1	7.3	a 1,734.9
,, 1963	704.0	649.0	235.2	208.1	104.4	56.4	3.5	9.2	a1,969.8
1962–63—			2 2 2 4						
Nov	662.0	609.2	223.2	192.6	98.0	54.1	3.5	8.3	1,850.9
Dec.	663.3	610.5	223.3	192.5	97.6	53.8	3.4	8.2	1,852.6
January	668.5	613.8	222.7	194.8	98.0	54.0	3.4	8.5	1,863.7
February	674.3	619.8	224.2	198.0	99.4	54.6	3.3	8.7	1,882.3
March	675.5	622.3	224.1	199.2	99.6	55.0	3.3	8.7	1,887.7
April	678.5	624.7	225.1	199.3	100.3	55.3	3.3	9.0	1,895.5
May	687.8	633.3	228.2	201.1	101.8	55.6	3.4	9.0	1,920.2
June	704.0	649.0	235.2	208.1	104.4	56.4	3.5	9.2	a 1,969.8
1963-64-					6 65			ds	11
July	713.4	660.3	241.7	211.3	106.7	57.6	3.6	9.7	2,004.3
August	719.5	667.5	244.4	213.0	107.9	58.5	3.7	9.8	2,024.3
Sept	725.5	673.4	247.8	213.8	109.4	59.0	3.8	10.1	2,042.8
Oct	737.7	686.4	253.5	216.9	111.5	59.3	3.9	10.5	2,079.7
Nov	743.1	692.7	255.4	218.4	112.4	59.6	3.9	10.6	2,096.1
Dec	748 .9	699.5	256.9	220.0	113.2	59.6	3.9	10.5	2,112.5
					l	1	1		1

(a) Interest added 1960-61, £44.7 m; 1961-62, £52.7 m; 1962-63, £58,4 m. The major part of this interest was added in June

SAVINGS BANKS: SELECTED ASSETS WITHIN AUSTRALIA(a) (£ million.)

	Coin, Bullion and	Deposits with	Deposits with	Common- wealth	Local and Semi- Govern-	Loans to Authorized Dealers in the	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.		
At end of-	Australian Notes.	Reserve Bank.	Trading Banks.	and States' Securities.(b)	mental Authorities' Securities.	Short-term Money Market.	Housing.	Other.	
June, 1959	3.3	122.0	53.7	740.1	248.9	••	261	.0	
1960	2.9	133.3	54.9	793.8	285.3	1.7	277.3	23.5	
1061	4.3	135.7	47.4	789.3	312.2	7.6	312.1	26.7	
1062	4.9	154.6	60.8	832.6	352.7	13.8	34 5 .7	28.6	
1062	4.7	178.4	64.2	913.6	418.5	19.5	404.0	32.7	
,, 1963 1962–63—	7.7	1,10,4	Ş.,		63413				
Nov	4.1	183.0	60.9	879.8	393.1	16.1	363.0	30,5	
Dec.	6.0	171.8	61.4	884.3	397.9	15.6	369.9	30.8	
January	4.6	173.4	58.5	893.1	403.2	13.1	371.6	31.1	
February	4.6	174.1	61.8	900.3	407.1	16.7	375.3	31.7	
March	4.5	180.4	58.5	904.7	410.7	13.8	380.2	32.5	
April	5.0	177.3	61.8	910.7	413.6	14,0	385.1	32.3	
May	4.7	179.1	62.0	916.0	416.2	15.1	391.7	33,1	
June	4.7	178.4	64.2	913.6	418.5	19.5	404.0	32.7	
1963-64-									
July	4.8	189.5	63.8	927.4	426.6	14.8	404.4	39.9	
August	4.4	188.6	64.5	932.4	433.3	17.4	411.6	40.7	
Sept	4.7	194.7	62.7	940.3	437.2	18.4	419.0	41.4	
Oct	4.1	210.2	62.6	957,1	441,8	18.0	427.2	42.8	
Nov	4.3	213.9	67.9	958.5	447.9	13.7	435.2	43.4	
Dec	5.5	211.3	62.6	963.4	454.6	17,5	447.0	44.4	

⁽a) Includes assets in Papua, New Guinea and Norfolk Island.

See note (d) page 50.

⁽b) Includes Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes

SHORT-TERM MONEY MARKET

(Selected Assets and Liabilities of Authorized Dealers and Rates of Interest on Loans.)

	Liab	ilities to Cli	ents.	Holdings of Com-	Interes	est Rates or During	Loans aco	epted	Weighted
Month.	All Cheque-	Other	Total.	mon- wealth Govern- ment	At Call.		For Fixe	d Periods.	Average Interest Rate on
	Paying Banks.	Clients.	Total.	Securities (at par value.)	Minimum per cent.	Maximum per cent.	Minimum per cent. per	Maximum per cent.	Loans Out- standing.
	Average	of Weekly	Figures—£	million.	annum.	annum.	annum.	annum.	
1959—June	28.3	19.8	48.1	50.4	2.94	3.13	3.00	3.50	3.11
1960 ,,	27.2	52.7	79.9	82.3	2.75	3.50	3.00	3.50	3.25
1961 "	34.4	62.7	97.1	100.4	2.50	4.88	3.50	4.83	4.17
1962 ,,	27.9	88.5	116.4	121.2	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.88	3.45
1963 ,,	29.0	104.5	133.5	143.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
1962-63—Oct	38.5	86.4	124.9	129.9	2.00	4.13	3.50	4.00	3.49
Nov	33.0	96.5	129.5	135.1	2.00	4.00	3.25	3.94	3.50
Dec.(b)	32.6	92.1	124.7	132.4	2.00	4.31	3.00	4.25	3.69
Jan	43.1	86.7	129.8	135.2	2.00	4.00	3.25	4.00	3.23
Feb	37.8	87.5	125.3	134.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.13	3.57
March	33.6	90.3	123.9	131.4	2.00	4.75	2.50	4.50	3.50
April	31.4	90.9	122.3	132.7	2.00	4.00	3.31	4.00	3.59
May	31.1	97.3	128.4	135.2	2.00	4.06	3.13	4.00	3.54
June	29.0	104.5	133.5	143.4	2.00	4.25	3.13	4.25	3.75
1963–64—July	33.5	104.8	138.3	144.8	2.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	3.31
Aug	38.0	96.8	134.8	140.0	2.00	3.75	3.00	3.63	3.31
Sept	41.3	99.9	141.2	148.9	2.00	3.76	3.00	3.78	3.38
Oct	39.4	107.9	147.3	155.1	2.00	3.81	3.00	3.75	3.28
Nov	39.7	113.2	152.9	159.5	1.75	3.50	2.75	3.53	3.13
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(a) As at last Wednesday.

(b) Excludes one Wednesday.

(Source: Reserve Bank.)

NEW CAPITAL RAISINGS BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA

The following statistics show the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to companies in Australia through the types of capital specified. For this purpose the "investing public" includes banks and life assurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and superannuation funds. The statistics do not include changes in bank overdrafts, loans to authorized dealers in the short-term money market, or deposits accepted by banks, insurance companies, pastoral companies or building societies.

NEW MONEY RAISED BY COMPANIES IN AUSTRALIA (£ million.)

	Companies	listed on Stock	Exchanges.	Compan	ies not listed Exchanges.	on Stock	
Period.	Share Capital.	Debentures, Registered Notes and Deposits.	Total.	Share Capital.	Secured Loans.	Total.	Grand Total
Quarterly Average—				2.38)			Ve V
1958–59	12.2	35.5	47.7	4.5	3.1	7.6	55.3
1959–60	12.0	50.1	62.1	8.9	2.9	11.8	73.9
1960–61	24.6	30.1	54.7	8.1	2.3	10.4	65.1
1961–62	19.0	24.9	43.9	6.9	1.7	8.6	52.5
1962–63p	r13.0	r27.5	r40.5				1000
Quarterly Total—					1 125		17
1960-61—June Qtr.	25.3	2.5	27.8	9.6	2.7	12.3	40.1
1961–62—Sept. "	26.0	29.6	55.6	6.4	1.2	7.6	63.2
Dec. "	17.5	26.6	44.1	5.9	2.2	8.1	52.2
March "	17.7	12.2	29.9	5.5	2.0	7.5	37.4
June ,,	15.0	31.2	46.2	9.6	1.5	11.1	57.3
1962–63—Sept. ,,	13.9	r30.6	r44.5	5.8	2.2	8.0	r52.5
Dec. ,,	16.0	r38.5	r54.5	p5.0	p1.5	p6.5	rp61.0
March ,,	r12.8	17.4	r30.2	p4.8	p1.7	rp6.5	rp36.7
June ,, p	r9.2	r23.6	r32.8				
1963–64—Sept. ,, p	15.4	31.4	r46.8				

(a) Secured over entire assets of borrowing company.

LIFE INSURANCE BUSINESS(a)

	New	Policies I	ssued (e	xcluding	Annuitie	es).(b)	Pr	emiums.	(c)	Claim	s, etc., P	aid.(d)	
Period.		nary ness.		strial ness.		nuation ness.	Ordi-	Indus-	Super-	Ordi-	Indus-	Super-	New Loans Paid
	Num- ber.	Sum Insured.	Num- ber.	Sum Insured.	Num- ber.	Sum Insured.	nary.	trial.	annua- tion.	nary.	trial.	annua- tion.	Over.
Monthly Average— 1953–54 1954–55 1955–56 1956–57 1957–58 1958–59 1959–60 1960–61 1961–62 1962–63	 '000. 23.7 23.5 24.8 24.3 25.0 26.3 33.6 27.7 26.5 26.1	£m. 21.2 24.4 27.9 32.7 37.6 43.4 57.6 49.5 51.5 52.8	'000. 20.0 18.4 17.6 17.5 17.4 16.0 15.8 15.1 13.8 12.0	£m. 2.7 2.7 2.7 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.7 2.8 3.6 3.9 4.4	'000. (f)7.6 6.3 6.7	£m (f)17.6 19.7 20.8	£m. 4.7 5.2 5.8 6.5 7.3 8.0 8.9 9.7 (g)11.1	£m. 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3 1.3	£m	£m. 1.8 2.0 2.3 2.5 2.8 3.1 3.4 4.3 (g)4.6 3.7	£m. 0.7 0.7 0.8 0.8 0.9 0.9 1.1 1.1	£m	£m. 2.9 4.3 4.7 5.0 4.9 6.1 6.2 7.1 5.1
Monthly Total— 1961–62— September(b) October November December(b) January February March April May June	 31.6 25.6 27.1 27.1 16.5 20.9 27.9 23.9 27.5 31.2	58.4 48.6 50.8 69.9 31.3 37.8 55.1 47.8 51.4 61.6	15.9 14.4 14.8 11.3 5.2 12.4 15.1 13.7 11.6 13.9	4.4 3.6 4.0 3.8 1.1 3.3 5.0 4.3 3.8 4.9	11.5 6.1 6.4 7.9 5.6 4.4 5.7 5.8 5.3 5.7	32.3 13.6 13.5 62.6 11.5 9.6 15.2 12.6 15.4 20.9	13.4 10.0 10.0 12.1 7.1 6.9 7.7 7.0 8.8 10.2	1.4 1.3 1.5 1.8 0.6 1.2 1.5 1.3 1.3	 (f)2.6 2.3 3.0 3.7 2.7 3.8	5.0 4.0 4.8 2.7 3.1 3.2 2.9 3.6 4.1	1.3 1.3 1.3 0.9 0.8 1.0 1.2 1.0 1.1	 (f)0.9 1.0 1.6 0.8 1.2 1.5	6.0 4.7 4.4 4.9 3.2 4.0 5.1 4.4 6.1 6.0
August September(b) October November December(b) January February March	30.3 27.8 32.3 25.4 25.8 26.1 16.5 19.8 26.4 24.4 28.8 29.5	60.6 57.6 60.9 52.9 50.2 64.8 33.2 38.5 50.0 47.9 56.8 60.2	18.0 15.0 13.1 14.2 14.9 8.7 4.2 11.0 10.9 12.3 11.1	5.8 5.2 4.6 4.8 5.5 3.7 1.5 3.8 4.2 4.6 4.7 4.3	6.0 7.1 8.0 5.8 8.0 8.0 4.7 6.4 5.0 7.5 7.3 6.5	21.0 21.2 30.0 14.8 22.4 47.7 7.2 14.6 16.6 15.3 19.5	9.8 8.4 8.0 8.5 8.0 8.1 7.8 7.2 8.5 8.3 9.9	1.4 1.4 1.3 1.5 1.4 1.8 0.4 1.3 1.5 1.4 1.4	2.8 3.0 3.6 2.6 2.9 4.1 3.0 2.5 3.5 3.8 3.9 4.2	3.9 3.6 3.4 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.1 3.4 4.5 4.2	1.0	1.3	6.3 5.1 4.9 6.2 4.5 6.4 3.5 4.4 5.9 5.8 6.8
1963–64—July August September October	 32.5 31.0 33.7 26.0	67.5 61.7 64.9 55.3	11.4 14.7 12.4 10.9	4.6 5.9 5.3 5.1	6.6 6.7 8.1 5.4	28.8 24.4 34.8 27.2	11.1 8.8 9.4 9.1	1.4 1.6 1.4 1.4	3.6 3.4 3.7 3.2	4.4 4.0 3.9 4.0	1.1 1.1 1.0 1.1	1.7	6.1 5.4 6.9 7.2

⁽a) Excludes business of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales and the Queensland State Government Insurance Office, which operate only in New South Wales and Queensland respectively. Monthly averages for the years 1937 to 1947 are based on annual returns for the financial years of the companies. From 1947-48 the figures have been compiled from monthly returns. (b) Relates to periods during which policies were recorded in company registers, which may be subsequent to periods in which written. Recordings tend to concentrate more in the last month of a company's year; months mainly affected are September and December. (c) Includes consideration for annuities. (d) Includes claims paid on death or maturity, payments made on surrender of policies, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (e) Excludes advances of premiums. (f) Figures for earlier periods not available separately; included with Ordinary Business. (g) Includes superannuation. Separate details of superannuation, which are available for the latter six months of 1961-62, are given below.

INTERNATIONAL RESERVES, EXCHANGE RATES, GOLD PRICES, SECURITY YIELDS, PRIVATE FIRST MORTGAGES

Period.		Inter- national Reserves.	Exc	change Rates	.(b)	Gold P	rices.(b)	Commonwer ment Se	Mortgages Registered in New	
		(a)	Australia on London.(c)	London on New York. (c)	Australia on New York. (d)	Australia.	London.	Theoretical 2 years.(e)	Theoretical 15 years.(e)	South Wales. (Revised Series). (f
		£m.	£A. per £100Stg.	\$ per £Stg.	\$ per £A.	£A. per fine oz.	£Stg. per fine oz.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent. (g) (h)
1958-59		516.4	125.25	2.809	2.235	15.625	12.496	4.16	4.94	7.4
1959-60		512.0	125.25	2.805	2.233	15.625	12.511	4.01	4.91	8.3
1960–61		550.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.589	5.06	5.21	8.7
1961-62		561.2	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.505	4.45	5.06	8.8
1962-63		626.1	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.526	4.08	4.80	8.9
		0_0,1		2.002	4.250	13.023	14.520			(i)
1961–62—										
November		587.0	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.500	4.38	4.99	8.8
December		601.7	125.25	2.810	2.236	15.625	12.508	4.36	4.98	8.8
January		596.1	125.25	2.811	2.237	15.625	12.510	4.35	4.94	8.9
February		607.7	125.25	2.815	2.240	15.625	12.480	4.39	4.94	8.8
March	, .	537.6	125.25	2.815	2.241	15.625	12.463	4.39	4.95	8.8
April		550.3	125.25	2.814	2.240	15.625	12.465	4.38	4.93	8.8
May		565.5	125.25	2.812	2.238	15.625	12.473	4.31	4.93	8.9
June		561.2	125.25	2.809	2.232	15.625	12.500	4.30	4.93	9.1
1962–63—										
July		574.9	125.25	2.807	2.234	15.625	12.513	4.30	4.90	9.1
August		565.8	125.25	2.804	2.232	15.625	12.526	4.26	4.91	9.1
September		560.5	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.541	4.25	4.94	9.1
October		570.9	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.543	4.20	4.90	9.1
November		585.7	125.25	2.802	2.230	15.625	12.524	4.14	4.86	9.1
December		586.1	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.512	4.13	4.88	9.1
January		587.4	125.25	2.805	2.232	15.625	12.500	4.11	4.86	9.0
February		597.5	125.25	2.803	2.231	15.625	12.512	4.09	4,86	8.9
March		590.8	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.533	4.04	4.84	8.7
April		612.2	125.25	2.801	2.229	15.625	12.530	3.88	4.65	8.7
May		615.2	125.25	2.800	2.228	15.625	12.528	3.78	4.54	8.7
June		626.1	125.25	2.800	2.229	15.625	12.527	3.75	4.50	8.7
963–64—									3,111	
July		634.2	125.25	2.809	2.229	15.625	12.526	3.75	4.49	8.6
August		645.0	125.25	2.800	2.228	15.625	12.535	3.73	4.49	8.6
September		667.2	125.25	2.798	2.227	15.625	12.538	3.68	4.46	8.6
October		707.2	125.25	2.798	2.227	15.625	12.535	3.66	4.44	8.6
November		754.1	125.25	2.798	2.227	15.625	12.535	3.66	4.44	8.7
December		794.7	125.25	2.797	2.226	15.625	12.543	3.64	4.44	8.6

⁽a) Source: Reserve Bank. Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). See page 22, Reserve Bank of Australia Statistical Bulletin, Financial Supplement, September, 1960, for a description of this series. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. (b) Average of daily quotations. (e) Average of buying and selling rates for telegraphic transfers. (d) Selling rate. Direct quotation. (e) Source: Reserve Bank. Yields are to last date of redemption. Income tax rebate of 2s. in the pound has not been taken into account. Prior to July, 1959, rates applied to securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5 and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. Since July, 1959, theoretical 2-year and theoretical 15-year securities. Average for the week is centred on last Wednesday of the month. (f) From 1956-57, includes all mortgages for corporations (other than banks and building societies) and individuals, except completely abnormal amounts of £1 m. or more in months in which large mortgages are few in number. Certain other refinements previously incorporated in the series have now been excluded in order to indicate current trends more accurately. Figures prior to 1956-57 have not been adjusted, but the variation between the adjusted and unadjusted series in these earlier years is negligible. (g) Weighted average twelve months. (h) Rural and urban securities. (i) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

INTEREST RATES

(Per Cent. per Annum.)

		(Fer Cen	t. per Am				Common-	
		: WUME	Tradin	g Banks—		1 6	wealth	Common-
		Fixed D	eposits—			drafts m Rate).	Savings Bank	wealth
Date of Change in Rate.	3 months.	6 months.	12months.	24months.	Common- wealth Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.	Deposits (Maxi- mum Rate).	Loans (Long Term).
1947—1st January	. 0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1040 1st Mars	. 0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.125
1051 Olet Assessed	0.50	0.75	1.00	(b)1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	3.750
1052 2045 T1	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	3.750
Ard St. L.	1.00	1.25	1.50	(c)1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	4.500
10## 1-4 T	. 1.25	1.50	1.75	2.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
1086 1846 Manch	. 2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.75	5.00	2.50	4.500
144 A +411	. 2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	4.500
10th Mari	. 2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
Ash Dansenham	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	2.75	5.000
1050 1st NI	. 2.25	2.50	2.75	3.50	(d)6.00	(d)6.00	3.00	5.000
1960—17th November .	4.	00	4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.00	5.000
1061 1-1 T-11-11	. 4.	00	4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.000
00 1 17 1		00	4.50	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.25	5.375
1 at Talla		00	4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.375
1070 711 Telement		00	4.25	(e)	(f)7.00	(f)7.00	3.50	5.000
1 24h Amuil		75	4.00	(e)	7.00	7.00	3.50	5.000
1062 1at Ameil		.25	3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.50	5.000
1 at Mari		25	3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.00	5.000
22-4 Tester		.25	3.50	(e)	6.50	6.50	3.00	4.500

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) 1 per cent. on amount in excess of £10,000. (c) 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess of £10,000. (d) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 5½ per cent. (e) From 17th November, 1960 to 10th September, 1962 banks did not accept fixed deposits for periods up to 15 months. (f) Average rate on all advances not to exceed 6 per cent.

COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT SHORT-TERM DEBT AND BANK BALANCES

(£ million.)

					I .	1	1	
Treasury Bills.	Treasury Notes.	Bank Balances.	Total.	Date.	Treasury Bills.	Treasury Notes.	Bank Balances.	Total.
190.0		7.5	182.5	1962-63-				
		7.0	153.0	31st July	168.0	18.7	(b) 19.0	205.7
1		8.8	156.2	31st Aug.	179.0	44.9	(b) 23.7	247.6
		10.8	139.2	30th Sept.	187.0	60.0	(b) 16.8	263.8
		11.1	128.9	31st Oct.	225.0	59.9	(b) 24.4	309.3
		12.5	158.5	30th Nov.	264.0	66.4	(b) 16.2	346.6
		13.6	187.4	31st Dec.	265.0	71.0	(b) 22.2	358.2
		14.4	171.6	31st Jan.	189.0	136.0	(b) 17.8	342.8
		9.4	198.6	28th Feb.	113.0	142.8	(b) 24.5	280.3
	69.5	10.0	182.5	31st Mar.	142.0	142.9	(b) 17.7	302.6
				30th Apr.	91.0	104.1	(b) 24.0	219.1
236.0	(a) 25.1	(b) 16.0	277.1	31st May	101.0	85.9	(b) 21.8	208.7
		(b) 14.6	322.8	30th June	123.0	69.5	10.0	182.5
	(a) 48.2	(b) 19.9	353.1					
	(a) 49.4	(b) 14.4	366.8	1963-64-	,			
	(a) 95.9	(b) 15.0	358.9	31st July	95.0	61.3	(b) 27.9	184.2
		(b) 14.3	312.3	31st Aug.	142.0	76.0	(b) 12.5	230.5
		(b) 17.0	316.1	30th Sept.	128.0	102.9	(b) 17.3	248.2
		(b) 15.3	236.0	31st Oct.	143.0	108.2	(b) 26.8	278.0
		\ /	223.5	30th Nov.	181.0	131.1	(b) 11.9	324.0
208.0		9.4	198.6	31st Dec.	178.0	147.5	(b) 4.1	329.6
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⁽a) Seasonal Securities. (b) Overdraft.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE(a)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS

(£ million.)

Period.	New South Wales.(a)	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Six States.	Common-wealth.	Grand Total.(b
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1958–59	239.8	151.2	99.0	68.0	60.1	21.9	640.0	1,296.1	1,682.9
1959–60	262.5	168.3	103.1	76.1	64.4	24.3	698.7	1,438.3	1,857.3
1960–61	282.4	185.1	108.8	82.0	69.3	27.8	755.4	1,638.3	2,085.3
1961–62	295.6	196.3	117.3	89.1	74.9	31.3	804.5	1,641.5	2,102.6
1962–63 p	312.6	207.1	123.5	93.7	78.6	31.7	847.2	1,685.4	2,185.8
1963–64 (Estimate)	327.1	218.2	125.4	98.8	83.1	34.0	886.6	1,837.2	
1961–62—	327.1	210.2	123.4	70.0	05.1	34.0	000.0	1,057.2	2,341.3
July-October	87.9	50.8	32.6	25.2	23.3	7.6	227.4	270 5	512 5
July-November	110.1	64.4	41.3	32.6	30.6	9.5	288.5	379.5	513.5
July-December	131.6	78.6	51.9	39.6	37.5	12.5		481.3	650.2
1962–63—	131.0	70.0	31.9	39.0	37.3	12.5	351.7	598.5	806.8
July-October	92.9	53.4	36.2	26.3	22.4	8.2	239.4	383.6	523.9
July-November	115.2	66.4	46.2	34.5	28.4	10.3	301.0	491.8	667.9
July-December	137.4	81.1	57.3	42.2	35.5	13.3	366.8	607.6	824.9
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July-October	103.4	57.7	38.3	28.8	24.7	9.3	262.2	416.8	572.9
July-November	128.9	71.8	48.9	36.8	30.5	11.5	328.4	538.9	734.1
July-December	154.0	88.8	60.9	45.9	38.1	14.8	402.5	672.9	915.9
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1958–59	239.7	153.8	100.2	69.1	61.8	22.7	647.3	1,296.1	1,690.3
1959–60	262.4	168.0	103.2	76.4	65.8	25.3	701.1	1,438.3	1,859.8
1960–61	282.7	184.9	109.4	80.8	70.5	28.0	756.3	1,638.3	2,086.3
1961–62	298.8	196.3	117.2	88.6	75.9	31.6	808.4	1,641.5	2,106.4
1962–63 р	312.4	207.1	123.5	93.4	79.3	32.2	847.9	1,685.4	2,186.5
1963–64 (Estimate)	327.1	220.6	125.5	99.3	83.8	34.7	891.0	1,837.2	2,345.7
1961–62—							0,71.0	1,007.12	2,0 10 . /
July-October	91.8	60.0	36.2	27.7	24.3	9.5	249.5	498.3	654.4
July-November	117.7	75.9	46.5	35.5	31.5	12.6	319.7	642.7	843.0
July-December	139.8	91.3	56.8	41.4	38.4	14.8	382.5	770.1	1,009.1
1962–63—						11.0	502.5	770.1	1,007.1
July-October	96.6	64.6	38.4	29.5	25.8	11.5	266.4	524.2	691.6
July-November	124.1	80.5	49.0	37.3	32.9	14.3	338.1	671.8	886.0
July-December	144.1	96.8	60.3	43.4	39.5	16.6	400.7	796.6	1,047.9
1963–64—		20.0	50.5	15.1	37.3	10.0	400.7	190.0	1,047.9
July-October	102.0	69.3	40.5	31.3	27.9	10.9	281.9	581.7	757.6
July-November	131.4	87.6	52.2	39.6	35.0	14.7	360.5	734.5	
July-December	152.8	106.4	64.1	46.8	42.5	17.5	430.1		961.8
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⁽a) Figures for N.S.W. represent combined transactions of Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways, Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board—included in annual Budget Papers. Adjustments have been made to exclude duplications. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals have been adjusted to exclude State payments to the Commonwealth in respect of pay-roll tax and Commonwealth payments to the States included in State Consolidated Revenue Funds in respect of States grants (financial assistance), the interest on State debts, special grants, special financial assistance, grants to universities, tuberculosis capital expenditure and National Welfare Fund payments. There are other relatively minor payments for which adjustments have not been made and the adjusted figures are therefore still slightly overstated.

